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SUBJECT THOMAS BLACK

FILE NO. 65-61847

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XX	8/2/50	PH REPORT TO HQ / COPY OF 1 st pg	3/1	3/1	1 Duplicate page
X1	10/10/50	NY LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
UNRECORDED	11/24/50	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO WFO	1	-	SEE HQ FILE 65-57449
Y2	11/29/50	NY REPORT TO HQ, WITH COPY OF COVER PAGE	6/1	6/1	1
X3	12/1/50	HQ LETTER TO HQ	2	-	referred to another government
X4	12/18/50	PH letter to HQ	1	1	
X5	12/20/50	w/ copy of cover page BA REPORT TO HQ	2/1	2/1	1
X6	1/9/51	w/ copy AT REPORT TO HQ	2/2	2/2	2
X7	1/12/51	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
X8	1/24/51	PH letter to HQ	2	2	
X9	1/30/51	w/ copy of cover page SF REPORT TO HQ	3/1	3/1	1
X10	2/13/51	w/ copy of cover page LA REPORT TO HQ	2/1	2/1	1

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X11	2/15/51	NY REPORT TO HQ	8	8	
X11	2/15/51	COPY OF ABOVE w/copy of cover page	8	8	8 dup
X12	2/17/51	SF REPORT TO HQ w/copy of cover page	2/1	2/1	
X13	2/26/51	PH REPORT TO HQ	2/1	2/1	
X14	3/27/51	HQ memo. TO PH w/copy of cover page	1	1	
X15	4/20/51	SD REPORT TO HQ	4/1	4/1	
X16	4/26/51	PH letter to HQ	1	1	
X17	4/26/51	LA letter TO HQ - RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X18	4/27/51	SAC NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
UNRECORDED	4/28/51	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY NY LETTER TO HQ ENCLOSING	1	-	1. 3/1/65-59199
X19	5/11/51	14 PAGE NY REPORT w/copy cover page	1/3/1	1/3/1	
X20	5/21/51	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	

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X21	6/14/51	RE: THIRD PARTY NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
X22	6/18/51	RE: THIRD PARTY NY REPORT TO HQ <i>w/copy cover pg.</i>	1 1/1	-	<i>referral</i>
X23	6/23/51	RE: THIRD PARTY LA TELETYPE TO HQ, NY, WFO	1	1	
UNRECORDED	7/16/51	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	1	-	<i>See Bufile 65-59199</i>
X24	7/30/51	NY REPORT TO HQ <i>w/copy cover pg.</i>	3/1	3/1	1
X25	8/24/51	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X25	10/3/51	HQ MEMO TO SAC NY	2	2	
X26	8/27/51	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	2	2	
X27	9/17/51	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	
X28	9/29/51	RE: THIRD PARTY NY REPORT TO HQ <i>w/copy of cover pg.</i>	3/1	3/1	1
X29	10/15/51	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X30	10/20/51	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	2	-	<i>referred</i>

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			Actual	Released	
#1 UNRECORDED	11/22/51	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	3	3	
#2 UNRECORDED	11/22/51	SAME AS ABOVE	3	3	3
X31	10/23/51	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY ENCLOSURES W/ PICTURES	2 1/2	2 1/2	
X31	12/5/51	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC NY W/ENCLOSURES	1 1/2	1 1/2	
X32	11/26/51	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X33	11/28/51	SAC PG LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X34	12/6/51	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X35	11/14/52	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY w/enc.	1 1/2	1 1/2	
X35	2/13/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY RE: THIRD PARTY w/enc.	1 1/2	1 1/2	
X36	1/18/52	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X37	1/24/52	SAC PG LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X38	1/25/52	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	

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X39	3/14/52	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X40	3/21/52	w/cover letter NY report to HQ w/enc	1 1/2	1 1/2	1
X40	4/22/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	but copy available
X41	4/3/52	copy to cover page SAC NY LETTER TO HQ W/REPORT	1 3/4	1 3/4	1
X41	4/25/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X42	4/8/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X43	5/13/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY NY letter to HQ w/report	1	1	
X44	6/20/52	w/cover page RE: THIRD PARTY	1 3/4	1 3/4	1
X44	7/9/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X45	7/30/52	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	1 1/4	1	
X46	9/17/52	SAC NY REPORT TO HQ W/ENCLOSURE RE: THIRD PARTY	4 1/2	4 1/2	
X46	10/6/52	HQ LETTER TO RCMP	3	3	

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		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X47	9/26/52	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X48	10/6/52	HQ LETTER TO CIA RE: THIRD PARTY	4	4	
X49	10/6/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY RE: THIRD PARTY	1	1	
X50	10/9/52	WFO TELETYPE TO HQ	2	2	
X51	10/13/52	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
X52	10/15/52	RE: THIRD PARTY w/ copy cover pg. NY REPORT TO HQ	5	5	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X53	10/25/52	SAC PA LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X54	10/27/52	LEGAT PARIS TO HQ	1	0	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X54	11/20/52	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	0	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X55	11/12/52	SAC MP LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X56	11/14/52	SAC PH LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
		RE: THIRD PARTY			
X57	10/6/52	LEGAT OTTAWA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	

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			Actual	Released	
X58	12/1/52	RE: THIRD PARTY SAC LA LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
#1 UNRECORDED	12/2/52	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO CG	2	2	
#2 UNRECORDED	12/5/52	RE: ISMAIL AKH MEDOV CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	—	referred
#3 UNRECORDED	12/15/52	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC CG	1	1	
X59	1/24/53	RE: THIRD PARTY w/copy from PG NY REPORT TO HQ	9	—	referred
Y60	2/3/53	RE: THIRD PARTY CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	—	referred
1	4/2/53	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	2	2	
2	4/13/53	RE: THIRD PARTY SAC BS LETTER TO HQ	2	2	
#1 UNRECORDED	4/22/53	RE: THIRD PARTY CG AIRTEL TO HQ	6	6	best copy available
#2 UNRECORDED	4/22/53	RE: THIRD PARTY COPY OF ABOVE	6	6	6 duplicate best copy available
#3 UNRECORDED	5/13/53	RE: THIRD PARTY HQ LETTER TO CG	1	1	
3	5/20/53	RE: THIRD PARTY SAC CG LETTER TO HQ	1	1	

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO. 65-1377 NPM

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA, PA	DATE WHEN MADE AUG 2 1950	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/31/50	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM B. WELTE, Jr.
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT-			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted Soviet espionage agent, advised that during 1939-1940 he was in contact with a Soviet superior known to him only as JOHN. JOHN was chiefly interested in BLACK's work in the SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY and pressured BLACK to join TROTSKY's household at Coyoacan, Mexico. Description set out.

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DETAILS:

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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During the interviews with THOMAS L. BLACK conducted by Special Agents ROBERT W. HOLMES and WILLIAM B. WELTE, Jr., the following information concerning JOHN was furnished by BLACK who identified him as his Soviet superior.

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JOHN was BLACK's contact for a short time following Dr. SCHWARTZ in 1939, as nearly as BLACK can remember. BLACK has pointed out that in this period he met several contacts for brief periods of time and is unable to say definitely what the sequence was. To the best of his recollection, however, JOHN followed Dr. SCHWARTZ. It should be noted that JOHN was in turn followed by KARL and then reappeared briefly after KARL. JOHN's chief interest appeared to have been in the SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY and aside from that interest, BLACK recalls little about him except that JOHN continued to put pressure on BLACK to make some effort to fulfill the Mexico City assignment. BLACK was able to persuade JOHN that his injury was not recovering rapidly enough to make the trip possible.

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Philadelphia File #65-4377

JOHN is described by BLACK as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	Late 30's or early 40's
Height:	5'7" or 5'8"
Weight:	Approx. 150 lbs.
Build:	Thin
Hair:	Straight, black or very dark brown
Face:	Thin
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Dark
Clothes:	Dressed in conservative clothes, with gaudy ties

BLACK has said that JOHN had the facial appearance generally associated with a gangster, that is, that he was a hard-looking person. He displayed an interest in shooting galleries, pinball machines, and generally in the amusement centers that are operated along 42nd Street in New York City. He appeared to have some education and from his appearance BLACK guessed that he might have been a Sicilian, but has no definite knowledge that this was so. BLACK was unable to identify JOHN from any available photograph.

BLACK stated that JOHN spoke with an accent. He never made any mention of a family being with him in this country and when he indicated to BLACK that he was leaving, he indicated that he was leaving the east coast and left the impression with BLACK that he might possibly be going to work on the west coast. The entire time that JOHN handled BLACK, JOHN was interested in Trotskyite information and had no interest in industrial espionage.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN

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Philadelphia File #65-4377

LEADS

THE NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK, N.Y.

Will attempt to identify the subject from a review of the files of the New York Office.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO. 65-4377 WPM

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE AUG 2 1950	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/31/50	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM D. WELTE, Jr.,
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT-			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted Soviet espionage agent, advised that during 1939-1940 he was in contact with a Soviet superior known to him only as JOHN. JOHN was chiefly interested in BLACK's work in the SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY and pressured BLACK to join TROTSKY's household at Coyoacan, Mexico. Description set out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p>			
DETAILS: <u>AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.</u>			
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 10, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa; John
THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

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At the present time the New York Office is in the process of furnishing "John's" description to the following individuals: Louis Budenz, [redacted] for the purpose of effecting an identification. (U) 574

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It is anticipated that in the event the above mentioned individuals are not able to identify "John," this case will be closed and a summary of information concerning "John" will be placed in the Unsolved Situations file for future reference, UACB. (U)

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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NY FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 11/29/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/12, 17, 19; 11/7, 14/50	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT W. COHOLAN
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted former Soviet espionage agent, advised that JOHN was his Soviet principal in 1939 and 1940. NY informants contacted with negative results in attempt to identify JOHN. JOHN'S description set forth.

DETAILS:

THOMAS L. BLACK, a self-confessed Soviet espionage agent, advised agents of the Philadelphia Office that an individual named JOHN was his (BLACK'S) Soviet principal for a short period in 1939 or 1940. BLACK has pointed out that in this period he met several contacts for brief periods of time and is unable to say definitely what the sequence was. To the best of BLACK'S recollection, JOHN followed Dr. SCHWARTZ and was in turn followed by KARL, and then reappeared briefly after KARL. According to BLACK, JOHN'S chief interest appeared to have been in the Socialist Workers Party, and aside from that interest BLACK recalls little about him, except that JOHN attempted to persuade BLACK to obtain a job in TROTSKY'S household in Mexico City.

JOHN is described by BLACK as follows:

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Race	White
Age	Late 30's or early 40's (1939)
Height	5' 7" - 8"
Weight	Approximately 150
Build	Thin
Hair	Straight, black or very dark brown
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Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Clothes	Dressed in conservative clothes with gaudy ties

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In connection with this description, it should be noted that BLACK'S physical descriptions tend to be vague and general and that he has considerable difficulty in judging height and weight. These items, therefore, should not be considered as exact.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, was furnished background data, together with a description of JOHN, on October 17, 1950, at which time the informant advised that he did not know the unknown subject.

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Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, was furnished background data, together with a description of JOHN, on October 19, 1950, at which time he advised that he did not know the unknown subject.

LOUIS BUDENZ, former Managing Editor of the "Daily Worker", an East Coast Communist newspaper, advised SA William J. McCarthy on October 12, 1950 that JOHN'S description did not fit any individual whom BUDENZ knew to be active in Soviet espionage,

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised on November 7, 1950 that the description of JOHN did not appear to be identical with any individual the informant knew as being engaged in Soviet espionage.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, on November 14, 1950 was furnished a background sketch and description of unknown subject JOHN, at which time the informant advised that he did not know the unknown subject.

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LEADS

ATLANTA

At Atlanta, Ga.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to ALFRED DEAN SLACK and will also discuss JOHN'S background with SLACK in an attempt to identify the unknown subject.

BALTIMORE

At Westminster, Md.

Will interview WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and furnish him JOHN'S description, as well as discuss JOHN'S background with him in an attempt to identify the unknown subject.

LOS ANGELES

At Los Angeles, Calif.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to [REDACTED] and also to any other informants in the Los Angeles area who were familiar with Soviet espionage during the 1939-1940 period, in an attempt to identify JOHN. *b7d*

PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia, Pa.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to HARRY GOLD and will also discuss JOHN'S background with GOLD in an attempt to identify the unknown subject.

SAN FRANCISCO

At San Francisco, Calif.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to any informants residing in that area who were familiar with Soviet espionage in 1939-1940, in an attempt to identify JOHN.

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NEW YORK

At New York, N. Y.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in an attempt to identify JOHN.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

Confidential informants referred to in the report of SA Robert W. Coholan dated November 29, 1950 at New York are identified as follows:

- T-1 - [REDACTED] contacted by SA William J. McCarthy. *b7d*
- T-2 - [REDACTED] contacted by SA William J. McCarthy. *b7d*
- T-3 - [REDACTED], contacted by SA William J. McCarthy. *b7d*
- T-4 - Confidential Informant [REDACTED] contacted by SA Thomas G. Spencer. *b7d*

REFERENCE:

Report of SA William B. Welte, Jr.,
8/2/50, Philadelphia.
Letter to Bureau, 10/10/50.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

RMJ
NY FILE NO. 65-15415

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 11/29/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/12, 17, 19; 11/7, 14/50	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT W. CONOLAN
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

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DETAILS:

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JOHN is described by BLACK as follows:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, PHILADELPHIA

DATE: 12/18/50

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa:
JOHN, THOMAS L.
BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to New York report of SA ROBERT W. COHOLAN dated 11/29/50.

It is requested that the New York office handle the lead set out in referenced report inasmuch as HARRY GOLD is currently within that Field Division.

This matter is considered RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15416)

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John; THOMAS L. BELACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

WHITTAKER CHAMBERS cannot identify
JOHN.

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DETAILS: AT WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, self-confessed former Soviet espionage courier, was furnished a description of JOHN, together with background data, on December 5, 1950, at which time he advised that he cannot identify the individual known as JOHN and stated he cannot recall any individual fitting the description or background who was active in Soviet espionage work during the time that he, CHAMBERS, was engaged in that work.

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Report of ROBERT W. COHOLAN dated 11/29/50
at New York.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT Baltimore	DATE WHEN MADE 12/20/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/5/50	REPORT MADE BY J. Edgar Hoover
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John; THOMAS L. BLACK, informant			CHARACTER OF CASE IS - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

**WITTAKER CHAMBER cannot identify
J. Edgar Hoover**

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DETAILS: AT WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

WITTAKER CHAMBERS, self-confessed former Soviet espionage courier, was furnished a description of **J. Edgar Hoover**, together with background data, on December 5, 1950, at which time he advised that he cannot identify the individual known as **J. Edgar Hoover** and stated he cannot recall any individual fitting the description or background who was active in Soviet espionage work during the time that he, **CHAMBERS**, was engaged in that work.

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REPORT MADE AT ATLANTA	DATE WHEN MADE 1-9-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-8-51	REPORT MADE BY JOSEPH T. SYLVESTER, Jr.
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John; THOMAS L. BLACK; INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u></p> <p>ALFRED DEAN SLACK advised he did not recall ever having seen or known anyone by the name of JOHN or answering JOHN's description or background.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">R U C</p> <p>DETAILS: The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent GEORGE H. TREADWELL:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA</u></p> <p>ALFRED DEAN SLACK was interviewed at the United States Penitentiary and advised that he did not recall ever having seen or known anyone by the name of JOHN or answering JOHN's description or background.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN</p>			
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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

ALFRED DEAN SLACK advised he did not recall ever having seen or known anyone by the name of **JOHN** or answering **JOHN**'s description or background.

H U S

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent **GEORGE H. TREADWELL**:

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

ALFRED DEAN SLACK was interviewed at the United States Penitentiary and advised that he did not recall ever having seen or known anyone by the name of **JOHN** or answering **JOHN**'s description or background.

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New York, dated 11-29-50.

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John;
THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R
(Bufile 65-59452)

DATE: January 12, 1951

On December 27, 1950, LOUIS BUDENZ and MARGARET BUDENZ stated that a photograph of ADOLPH RABINOWITZ was believed to be identical with one "MICHAELS", a Soviet agent with whom BUDENZ worked in 1937. BUDENZ and his wife stated that they believed it was a positive identification, but they would not be willing to testify on a witness stand that ADOLPH RABINOWITZ was identical with "MICHAELS".

In view of the fact that "MICHAELS" was interested in the Trotskyite movement, it is felt that "MICHAELS" may be identical with THOMAS L. BLACK principals JOHN or CARL.

It will be noted that both LOUIS BUDENZ and THOMAS L. BLACK have identified a photograph of Dr. GREGORY RABINOVICH as the individual BUDENZ knew as "ROBERTS" and BLACK knew as "Dr. SCHWARTZ". Accordingly, it is felt that ADOLPH RABINOWITZ may be identical with unknown subject JOHN or unknown subject CARL.

A photograph of ADOLPH RABINOWITZ is being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office, and it is requested that it be displayed to THOMAS L. BLACK.

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John
THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R
(Bureau file #65-59452)

DATE: January 24, 1951

REBULET to New York, 12/1/50, and NILET to Bureau, 1/12/51.

On January 22, 1951, THOMAS L. BLACK was shown three photographs of FRANK JACSON. BLACK had previously been shown the early photograph of JACSON but had not seen the two photographs taken in 1949. He said that he did not recognize the person in any of the three photographs and was certain that the photographs were not of either KARL or JOHN who were Soviet contacts of BLACK.

On the same date, BLACK was shown photographs of ADOLPH RABINOWITZ, identified by LOUIS and MARGARET BUDENZ as being identical with MICHAEL.

BLACK said that RABINOWITZ was definitely not KARL.

BLACK said that there is a very slight resemblance to JOHN in the photographs of RABINOWITZ, but he does not believe they are identical. He pointed out that RABINOWITZ has a broader nose than JOHN and not as straight. RABINOWITZ has less hair than JOHN had. RABINOWITZ has a wider chin and larger mouth than JOHN; their heads are shaped the same.

In connection with Unknown Subject JOHN, the interviewing agent reviewed with BLACK a Bureau booklet entitled "Personal Descriptions, Portrait Parle or Speaking Likeness," and had BLACK pick out the facial characteristics shown in this booklet which were similar to JOHN. He gave the following information:

Forehead:

Between medium and vertical slope
Low
Narrow
Few broken horizontal wrinkles
Rounded V hairline.

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Nose:

Small root
Straight line
Horizontal base
Medium length
Narrow to medium width

Ears:

No recollection

Lips:

Medium upper lip
Thin
Normal position

Mouth:

Small
Straight.

Chin:

Normal slope
Normal size tending toward small
Medium length

Face:

Between round and egg-shaped
Slightly smaller than average but
normal for body size.

RUC.

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FILE NO. 65-4225

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa. John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

SF T-1 unable to identify JOHN from latter's description.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The complete description of JOHN was furnished to San Francisco T-1, of unknown reliability, who advised that he knows of no individual who answers that description.

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SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE
AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Will furnish JOHN's description to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] San Francisco, to determine if he can identify JOHN. b7d

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 2-13-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/6, 12/51; 2/13/51	REPORT MADE BY FLOYD W. BRUNE Wog
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Informants unable to identify Subject.

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DETAILS:

On January 6, 1951, the description of the Subject was discussed with T-1, of known reliability, but he was unable to recognize the description.

On January 12, 1951, T-2, of known reliability, advised that the description of the Subject did not remind him of anyone he had known while engaged in Soviet Espionage.

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INFORMANTS

- T-1: [REDACTED] who furnished the information to SA's WILLIAM L. BYRNE and FLOYD W. BROWN. (b) 7(d)
- T-2: [REDACTED] who furnished the information to SA's FRANCIS D. COOLEY and FLOYD W. BROWN. (b) 7(d)

REFERENCE: Report of SA ROBERT W. COHOLAN dated November 29, 1950 at New York.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Review of FELDMAN - OVAKIMIAN file reflects that one PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV answers description of unknown subject, wa. JOHN. GUSEV was Vice Consul attached to Soviet Consulate, NYC, from 1934 to 1938. C.I. T-2 states GUSEV was Soviet espionage agent and was interested in anti-TROTSKY activities. Review of FRANK JACOB file reflects that one CONWAY DAVIES left NYC about same time as unknown subject JOHN did. DAVIES' last known address was in San Diego, Calif., in 1940.

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DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised on December 29, 1950 that the description of the unknown subject, with alias JOHN, did not appear to be identical with any individual the informant knew as being engaged in Soviet espionage.

HARRY GOLD, self-admitted former Soviet espionage agent, advised SA JOSEPH E. WALSH on January 3, 1951, that JOHN'S description did not appear to fit any individual GOLD knew as being engaged in Soviet espionage.

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A review of the FELDMAN-OVAKIMIAN case file was made in an effort to turn up suspects for the unknown subject SCHE. This review resulted in a possible suspect; namely, PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, furnished information about this suspect to the effect that he was known to ARMAND JARIS FELDMAN.

The informant stated that GUSEV was one of FELDMAN's espionage superiors during the period that FELDMAN was acting as a Soviet agent in the United States, namely, 1933 to 1938. GUSEV was Vice Consul attached to the Soviet Consulate, New York City, from approximately 1934 to 1938.

There is no photograph available of GUSEV.

GUSEV was in close touch with DAVID B. OVAKIMIAN and the informant believed that GUSEV may have been above OVAKIMIAN in the espionage setup.

It was also known to the informant that in May 1938

the informant stated that GUSEV seemed to have a great deal of knowledge about the Russians' anti-Trotsky activities. b7d

A description of GUSEV as furnished by the informant is as follows:

Age:	About 40 in late 1930s
Height:	5' 5" or 5' 6"
Hair:	Dark, grayish black
Complexion:	Dark and yellowed
Build:	Medium
Remarks:	Quiet and unassuming manner
Language Ability:	Speaks "beautiful" Russian; had a speaking knowledge of German and spoke English poorly.

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Origin:
Dress:

Possibly from the Ukraine
Well dressed, wore brown
gabardine topcoat

Marital Status:

Married - wife, possibly
named HELEN, was a specialist
in photography.

Some of the informant's impressions about GUSKY were that he appeared to be well educated, displaying an analytical brain. He had some kind of stomach trouble. He had a "Greek-appearing face".

On January 22, 1951, THOMAS L. BLACK was shown a photograph of an individual known as ADOLPH RABINOWITZ. LOUIS BUDENZ and his wife had previously identified RABINOWITZ as being identical with one MICHAELS. BLACK said that the photograph of RABINOWITZ bore a slight resemblance to JOHN, but he does not believe they are identical.

BLACK was also shown a photograph of FRANK JACSON on the same date and advised that JACSON was not the unknown subject JOHN.

The file on FRANK JACSON, the slayer of LEON TROTSKY, was also reviewed with the idea in mind that JOHN may have been associated with some of the individuals whose names came up in the course of the investigation of JACSON. JOHN'S chief interest appeared to have been in the Socialist Workers Party and he attempted to persuade BLACK to obtain a job in TROTSKY'S household. Since JACSON penetrated the Socialist Workers Party and murdered TROTSKY on August 20, 1940, it is believed that JACSON may have been a member of the same espionage parallel as JOHN.

The review of the JACSON file was mainly concerned with ascertaining the identity of individuals who answered the description of JOHN and who were in New York City in 1939 and 1940. In this connection, CONWAY

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DAVIES, who was residing at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, San Diego, California, in 1940 is being considered a suspect.

It will be recalled that shortly after BROZKY's death, a trunk belonging to JACSON was examined by Agents of the New York Office. Although the trunk contained mostly clothing, there was found in it a post card addressed to M. MASLOW, Legaria 83, Tacuba, Mexico, D.F. The card bore the return address of CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES, 5549 Virginia Avenue, Hollywood, California. The text of the post card indicated that CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES were leaving San Francisco on January 1, 1940 for Hollywood and would go from there to the rancho at Escondido.

The report of SA (A) E. P. HAIR, dated September 14, 1946 at Los Angeles, entitled "FRANK JACSON, was; ESPIONAGE", reflects an interview with MARICE GORDON, brother-in-law of CONWAY DAVIES. At that time Mr. GORDON stated that CONWAY DAVIES married GORDON'S sister, SARITA, in about 1933. He stated that CONWAY DAVIES was an ornamental iron worker.

GORDON further stated that in about 1935 CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES went to New York City to live. According to GORDON, while living in New York City there was no correspondence between them and he did not know where they lived or worked and has no idea as to their activities in New York City. He stated that they returned to California in 1939. Mr. GORDON stated that at that time DAVIES was about forty-two to forty-five years of age and was residing at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, California, and was employed at Consolidated Aircraft Company in San Diego, California.

The files of this office failed to reflect whether CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES were ever interviewed in connection with the JACSON case. It is realized that there is little information presently available which would indicate that CONWAY DAVIES is identical with the unknown subject JOHN. However, it is believed significant

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that FRANK JACSON, of whom little is known even though he received world-wide publicity, had a post card in his possession which was sent by CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES.

It is also noted that THOMAS BLACK advised that when the unknown subject JOHN told him he was leaving in 1939 or 1940, he indicated to BLACK that he was leaving the East Coast and left the impression with BLACK that he might possibly be going to work on the West Coast.

For the information of the San Diego Office, THOMAS L. BLACK, a confessed Soviet espionage agent, advised that an individual named JOHN was his Soviet principal for a short period of time in 1939 or 1940. According to BLACK, JOHN'S chief interest appeared to be in the Socialist Workers Party and aside from that interest BLACK recalls little about him except that JOHN attempted to persuade BLACK to obtain a job in THOMAS'S household.

JOHN is described by BLACK as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	In late thirties or early forties in 1939
Height:	5' 7" or 8"
Weight:	Approximately 150 lbs.
Build:	Thin
Hair:	Straight, black or very dark brown
Face:	Thin
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Dark
Clothes:	Dressed in conservative clothes with gaudy ties

BLACK said that JOHN had the facial appearance generally associated with a gangster; that is, he was a hard-looking person. He displayed an interest in shooting galleries, pinball machines, and generally was found in

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the amusement centers that are operated along 124 Street, New York City. JOHN appeared to have some education and from his appearance, BLACK guessed that he might have been a Sicilian, but has no definite knowledge that this is so.

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At Philadelphia, Pa.

Will interview THOMAS L. BLACK concerning the possibility that PETER D. GUSEV is identical with the instant unknown subject.

SAN DIEGO

At San Diego, Calif.

Will endeavor to obtain a photograph and description of GUNWAY DAVIES who resided at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, in 1940 and was employed by Consolidated Aircraft, San Diego. In the event a photograph and/or description is obtained, it should be forwarded to the Philadelphia office where it may be displayed to THOMAS L. BLACK.

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At New York, N.Y.

Will furnish JOHN's description to [redacted]

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The confidential informants mentioned in the report of SA ROBERT W. GONOLAN, dated FEB 15 1951, at New York City, are as follows:

[redacted] contacted by SA WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY: b7d

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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Build:	Medium
Remarks:	Quiet and unassuming manner
Language Ability:	Speaks "beautiful" Russian; had a speaking knowledge of German and spoke English poorly.

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Origin: Possibly from the Ukraine
Dress: Well dressed, wore brown
gabardine topcoat
Marital Status: Married - wife, possibly
named HELEN, was a specialist
in photography

Some of the informant's impressions about GUSEV were that he appeared to be well educated, displaying an analytical brain. He had some kind of stomach trouble. He had a "Greek-appearing face".

On January 22, 1951, THOMAS L. BLACK was shown a photograph of an individual known as ADOLPH RAPINOWITZ. LOUIS EUDENZ and his wife had previously identified RAPINOWITZ as being identical with one MICHAELIS. BLACK said that the photograph of RAPINOWITZ bore a slight resemblance to JOHN, but he does not believe they are identical.

BLACK was also shown a photograph of FRANK JACSON on the same date and advised that JACSON was not the unknown subject JOHN.

The file on FRANK JACSON, the slayer of LEON TROTSKY, was also reviewed with the idea in mind that JOHN may have been associated with some of the individuals whose names came up in the course of the investigation of JACSON. JOHN'S chief interest appeared to have been in the Socialist Workers Party and he attempted to persuade BLACK to obtain a job in TROTSKY'S household. Since JACSON penetrated the Socialist Workers Party and murdered TROTSKY on August 20, 1940, it is believed that JACSON may have been a member of the same espionage parallel as JOHN.

The review of the JACSON file was mainly concerned with ascertaining the identity of individuals who answered the description of JOHN and who were in New York City in 1939 and 1940. In this connection, CONWAY

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DAVIES, who was residing at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, San Diego, California, in 1940 is being considered a suspect.

It will be recalled that shortly after TROTSKY'S death, a trunk belonging to JACSON was examined by Agents of the New York Office. Although the trunk contained mostly clothing, there was found in it a post card addressed to B. MASLOW, Legalia 83, Tacuba, Mexico, D.F. The card bore the return address of CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES, 5549 Virginia Avenue, Hollywood, California. The text of the post card indicated that CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES were leaving San Francisco on January 1, 1940 for Hollywood and would go from there to the rancho at Escondido.

The report of SA (A) E. P. HAIN, dated September 14, 1940 at Los Angeles, entitled "FRANK JACSON, was; ESPIONAGE", reflects an interview with MAURICE GORDON, brother-in-law of CONWAY DAVIES. At that time Mr. GORDON stated that CONWAY DAVIES married GORDON'S sister, SARITA, in about 1933. He stated that CONWAY DAVIES was an ornamental iron worker.

GORDON further stated that in about 1935 CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES went to New York City to live. According to GORDON, while living in New York City there was no correspondence between them and he did not know where they lived or worked and has no idea as to their activities in New York City. He stated that they returned to California in 1939. Mr. GORDON stated that at that time DAVIES was about forty-two to forty-five years of age and was residing at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, California, and was employed at Consolidated Aircraft Company in San Diego, California.

The files of this office failed to reflect whether CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES were ever interviewed in connection with the JACSON case. It is realized that there is little information presently available which would indicate that CONWAY DAVIES is identical with the unknown subject JOHN. However, it is believed significant.

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that FRANK JACSON, of whom little is known even though he received world-wide publicity, had a post card in his possession which was sent by CONWAY and SARAH DAVIES.

It is also noted that THOMAS BLACK advised that when the unknown subject JOHN told him he was leaving in 1939 or 1940, he indicated to BLACK that he was leaving the East Coast and left the impression with BLACK that he might possibly be going to work on the West Coast.

For the information of the San Diego Office, THOMAS L. BLACK, a confessed Soviet espionage agent, advised that an individual named JOHN was his Soviet principal for a short period of time in 1939 or 1940. According to BLACK, JOHN'S chief interest appeared to be in the Socialist Workers Party and aside from that interest BLACK recalls little about him except that JOHN attempted to persuade BLACK to obtain a job in TROTSKY'S household.

JOHN is described by BLACK as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	In late thirties or early forties in 1939
Height:	5' 7" or 8"
Weight:	Approximately 150 lbs.
Build:	Thin
Hair:	Straight, black or very dark brown
Face:	Thin
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Dark
Clothes:	Dressed in conservative clothes with gaudy ties

BLACK said that JOHN had the facial appearance generally associated with a gangster; that is, he was a hard-looking person. He displayed an interest in shooting galleries, pinball machines, and generally was found in

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the amusement centers that are operated along 42d Street,
New York City. JOHN appeared to have some education and
from his appearance, BLACK guessed that he might have been
a Sicilian, but has no definite knowledge that this is so.

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PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia, Pa.

Will interview THOMAS L. BLACK concerning the possibility that PETER D. GUSEV is identical with the instant unknown subject.

SAN DIEGO

At San Diego, Calif.

Will endeavor to obtain a photograph and description of CONWAY DAVIES who resided at 829 Island Court, Mission Beach, in 1940 and was employed by Consolidated Aircraft, San Diego. In the event a photograph and/or description is obtained, it should be forwarded to the Philadelphia Office where it may be displayed to THOMAS L. BLACK.

NEW YORK

At New York, N.Y.

Will furnish JOHN'S description to [REDACTED]
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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The confidential informants mentioned in the report of SA ROBERT W. COHOLAN, dated FEB 15 1951 at New York City, are as follows:

T-1

[REDACTED] contacted by SA WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY. b7d

T-2

[REDACTED] b7d

REFERENCE: Report of SA ROBERT W. COHOLAN, New York City, 2/29/50.

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FILE NO. **65-1223**

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 2-17-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-10-51	REPORT MADE BY ALLAN GILLIES - JR.
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

SF 1-1 unable to effect identification of JOHN.

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DETAILS: AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The description and characteristics of JOHN were discussed with San Francisco T-1, of unknown reliability, and no identification was effected. T-1 was active in an espionage, sabotage apparatus which operated in the San Francisco area 1935 - 1939.

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SF 7-1-18 [REDACTED] California,
who is an informant in [REDACTED] b7d

REFERENCES: Report of SA ROBERT W. COHOLAN, New York, dated 11-29-50.
Report of SA DAVID C. SPENCER, San Francisco, dated 1-30-51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-1225**

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 2-17-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-10-51	REPORT MADE BY ALLAN CHAYES - JR
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John; THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

RF T-1 unable to effect identification of JOHN.

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DETAILS: AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The description and characteristics of JOHN were discussed with San Francisco T-1, of unknown reliability, and no identification was effected. T-1 was active in an espionage, sabotage apparatus which operated in the San Francisco area 1935 - 1939.

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FILE NO. **65-1377 sub 7**

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE 2/26/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/20/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT W. HOLMES
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

BLACK does not believe **PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV** identical with UnSub **JOHN**.

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DETAILS:

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

G.I.R.-1

THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted Soviet Espionage Agent, was interviewed by SA **ROBERT G. JENSEN** and the writer. The description of **PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV** was given him, and **BLACK** said that he did not believe that a person of that description was identical with the Soviet Agent **BLACK** knew as **JOHN**.

BLACK said that he ate with **JOHN** only a couple times, but did not recall that **JOHN** had stomach trouble. **BLACK** recalled eating once at an automat and once at a Childs Restaurant, and said that in both cases, **JOHN** took no care in selecting his food and did not eat like a man whose stomach bothered him. **JOHN** did not have a yellowish complexion. **JOHN** spoke good English. His build was thin rather than medium. He had a slight accent but was easily understood, and his English could by no means be described as poor. **BLACK** had no knowledge of any other languages which **JOHN** might have spoken.

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REFERENCE:

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REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE 2/26/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/20/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT R. TOLSON
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John THOMAS L. BLACK, informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

BLACK does not believe PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV identical with Unsub JOHN.

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DETAILS:

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted Soviet espionage agent, was interviewed by SA **ROBERT G. JERN** and the writer. The description of **PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV** was given him, and **BLACK** said that he did not believe that a person of that description was identical with the Soviet Agent **BLACK** knew as **JOHN**.

BLACK said that he ate with **JOHN** only a couple times, but did not recall that **JOHN** had stomach trouble. **BLACK** recalled eating once at an Automat and once at a Childs Restaurant; and said that in both cases, **JOHN** took no care in selecting his food and did not eat like a man whose stomach bothered him. **JOHN** did not have a yellowish complexion. **JOHN** spoke good English. His build was thin rather than medium. He had a slight accent but was easily understood, and his English could by no means be described as poor. **BLACK** had no knowledge of any other languages which **JOHN** might have spoken.

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SAC, Philadelphia

March 27, 1951

Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WAS., JOHN
THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
IMAGE - B
(Philadelphia file 65-4337)

Enclosed herewith for the Philadelphia division are two photographs of Amadeo Sabatini. A description appears on the back of the photo.

In view of the general similarity of the descriptions of Unknown Subject John and Sabatini and, further, since Joseph Katz is known to have operated both Black and Sabatini, the attached photo should be exhibited to Black as a candidate for Unknown Subject John.

There are attached to the Los Angeles copies of this memo two photographs of Thomas L. Black, which should be exhibited to Amadeo Sabatini.

Attachment

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cc: Los Angeles (Attachments)

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-1650**

REPORT MADE AT SAN DIEGO	DATE WHEN MADE 4/20/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/6, 9/51	REPORT MADE BY FRANK V. SULLIVAN
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Photograph, description and background information re CONWAY DAVIES obtained from Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Miss MILICA SANKOVICH, Secretary, Plant Protection, Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, furnished the file on CONWAY DAVIES, which reflected that DAVIES made application for employment with Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation on March 20, 1940. His address at that time was given as Route 2, Box 759, Escondido, California.

His application further reflected that he entered the United States at the Port of New York on November 30, 1913. Under the heading "Date of first Papers" he answered, "Through father". Date of second papers was given as January 20, 1919. His Certificate number for Immigration and Naturalization was given as 821983, and was issued at Madison, Wisconsin, on the above date. He stated that he had no dependent parents and that his sole dependents were his wife and a son two years old. He stated

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he was in the State of California for 18 years and spent this period in San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

His education was reflected as Grade School, Madison, Wisconsin, from which place he graduated, year not stated. He also stated that he had attended and graduated from Madison High School, Madison, Wisconsin, date not given.

The application reflected that DAVIES had not attended college, but did take special courses from the Extension Department of the University of Wisconsin in Industrial Design. He also noted that he had attended the California School of Fine Arts.

Under previous employment he advised that from 1917 to 1922 he was employed as a milling machine operator by the Grisholt Machinery Company, Madison, Wisconsin. His reason for leaving was "Quit, came to California". His next employment was given at the Moore Shipyards, Oakland, California, as a milling machine operator, from 1927 to 1929. His reason for leaving was shown as "Laid Off".

From 1930 to 1931 he stated that he was employed by the Gauchen Iron Shop, San Francisco, California, as a mechanic. His reason for leaving was shown as "Laid Off".

From 1931 to 1934 he advised he was employed as a mechanic-welder by the Allied Arts Guild, under Mr. TOLLERTON, at San Mateo, California. His reason for leaving was "Laid Off - Lack of Business".

From 1935 to 1938, he noted that he was employed by Warner Brother under Mr. REEVES, at Burbank, California. His position was not reflected. His reason for leaving was given as "Laid Off - Reduction of Personnel".

From 1938 to 1940 he stated he was employed at a ranch. No further identity given, except that the ranch was at Escondido, California.

DAVIES was employed by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation from March 20, 1940, until September 10, 1943, at which time he left voluntarily because of personal

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affairs. It was noted on the pink slip that he reported that neither he nor his wife were well in San Diego, and that they were returning to their former home in San Francisco.

Mr. E. K. CORNWELL was DAVIES' supervisor and DAVIES was employed in Department #3.

During the period of DAVIES' employment in San Diego, his addresses were given as 829 Island Court and 4316 Bayard Street, Pacific Beach. This latter address was given as of January 1, 1941.

Under references the names of the following persons were given:

L. F. ~~MARRON~~, Produce, Route 1, Box 104, El Cajon, California.

A. ~~KEARNEY~~, Designer, Tuxedo Terrace, Hollywood, California.

"Front" Clothier, Escondido, California, no further address or identity given.

The following is a description of DAVIES as obtained from the files of Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation:

Name:	CONWAY DAVIES
Date of Birth:	April 12, 1898
Birthplace:	Birmingham, England
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	165 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Brown
Social Security No:	557-26-8172

A photograph of DAVIES was obtained from Consolidated Vultee Aircraft files and is being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office.

ENCLOSURE;

TO PHILADELPHIA: 1 photograph of DAVIES

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PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Will display the photograph of CONWAY DAVIES
to THOMAS L. BLACK, as set forth in the report of SA
ROBERT W. COHLAN dated February 15, 1951, at New York.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA ROBERT W. COHLAN dated
February 15, 1951, at New York.

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FILE NO. **65-1656**

REPORT MADE AT SAN DIEGO	DATE WHEN MADE 4/20/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/6, 9/51	REPORT MADE BY FRANK V. FULFILLAN <i>sfh</i>
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa, John THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Photograph, description and background information re **CONRAY DAVIES** obtained from Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Miss **MILICA SPEROVICH**, Secretary, Plant Protection, Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, furnished the file on **CONRAY DAVIES**, which reflected that **DAVIES** made application for employment with Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation on March 20, 1940. His address at that time was given as Route 2, Box 759, Escondido, California.

His application further reflected that he entered the United States at the Port of New York on November 30, 1913. Under the heading "File of First Papers" he answered, "Through father". Date of second papers was given as January 20, 1919. His Certificate number for Immigration and Naturalization was given as 821983, and was issued at Madison, Wisconsin, on the above date. He stated that he had no dependent parents and that his sole dependents were his wife and a son two years old. He stated

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Philadelphia
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John
THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R
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DATE: 4/26/51

Rebulet dated 3/27/51.

In accordance with instructions set forth in referenced Bureau letter, the photograph of AMADEO SABATINI was shown to THOMAS L. BLACK on April 19, 1951. BLACK stated that he had never seen or met SABATINI before.

This matter is considered RUC.

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cc Los Angeles
65-4332 (THOMAS L. BLACK)

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/26/51

FROM :

SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was.; JOHN
 Thomas L. Black, Informant
 ESPIONAGE - R
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Rebulet 3/27/51.

By letter dated October 24, 1950, captioned [REDACTED] was.
 ESPIONAGE - R; photographs [REDACTED] were forwarded to the Philadelphia
 Office to be exhibited to THOMAS L. BLACK. b7d

By letter dated November 20, 1950, the Philadelphia Office advised
 that photographs [REDACTED] were exhibited on November 18, 1950 to THOMAS
 L. BLACK who was unable to make an identification. b7d

On April 16, 1951, photographs of THOMAS L. BLACK were exhibited
 to [REDACTED] who was unable to make an identification.
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DESCRIPTION OF WILLIAM MARLAS VALISOFF, SUBJECT NY FILE ONE-HUNDRED NASH
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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 11, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa JOHN
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R
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Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report of SA
Robert W. Coholan, NY, 5/11/51.

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It is anticipated that in the event THOMAS L. BLACK does not identify a photograph of CONWAY DAVIES as being identical with unknown subject, "JOHN", that this case will be placed in a pending inactive status until such time as further information is received or an identification is made by BLACK from photographs of individuals, which will be shown to him from time to time, in connection with other espionage and security cases.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa JOHN THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

THOMAS BLACK did not believe description of PETER GUSEV identical with unsub JOHN. T-1 advised that description of JOHN did not appear to be identical with anyone the informant knew as being engaged in Soviet espionage.

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DETAILS:

THOMAS L. BLACK, self-confessed former Soviet espionage agent, advised that he did not believe that the description of PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV was identical with the Soviet principal he knew as "JOHN".

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised on April 17, 1951 that "JOHN'S" description did not appear to be identical with any of the individuals he knew as being engaged in espionage for the Soviets.

On April 20, 1951 a photograph of CONWAY DAVIES was furnished to the Philadelphia Office by the San Diego Office. Since DAVIES is being considered as a possible suspect for unknown subject "JOHN", the Philadelphia Office is requested to display his photograph to BLACK in order to effect an identification.

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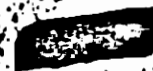
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The Confidential Informant mentioned in the
report of SA Robert W. Cochran dated MAY 11 1951 at New
York, New York is:

T-1



contacted by SA John P. Daly.
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LEADS

PHILADELPHIA

AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Will display a photograph of CONWAY DAVIES to THOMAS L. BLACK in order to ascertain whether DAVIES is identical with unsub "JOHN".

Copies of this report are being furnished to the Los Angeles, San Francisco and Washington Field Offices for their information, in accordance with Bureau instructions.

REFERENCE: Report of SA Robert W. Conolan, New York, 2/15/51
Report of SA Frank V. Sullivan, San Diego, 4/20/51

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FILE NO. 65-15415 SSC

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE MAY 11 1951	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/17, 26; 5/4/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT W. COHOLAN
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa JOHN THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

THOMAS BLACK did not believe description of PETER GUSEV identical with unsub JOHN. T-1 advised that description of JOHN did not appear to be identical with anyone the informant knew as being engaged in Soviet espionage.

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DETAILS:

THOMAS L. BLACK, self-confessed former Soviet espionage agent, advised that he did not believe that the description of PETER DAVIDOVICH GUSEV was identical with the Soviet principal he knew as "JOHN".

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised on April 17, 1951 that "JOHN'S" description did not appear to be identical with any of the individuals he knew as being engaged in espionage for the Soviets.

On April 20, 1951 a photograph of CONWAY DAVIES was furnished to the Philadelphia Office by the San Diego Office. Since DAVIES is being considered as a possible suspect for unknown subject "JOHN", the Philadelphia Office is requested to display his photograph to BLACK in order to effect an identification.

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to : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. 6044
 Thomas L. Black - Informant
 ESPIONAGE - R
 (Bufile 65-50642)

DATE: 5/21/51

Rebulet 4/28/51 and New York report 5/11/51.

On 5/17/51 photographs of VLADIMIR D. KAZAKEVICH and
 CONWAY DAVIES were shown to THOMAS L. BLACK. He stated
 that at no time had he ever seen or met either of these
 individuals. This matter is considered RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15415)
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UNKNOWN SUB, WA. JOHN, [REDACTED], ESPIONAGE
DASH R. REREP SA RICHARD E. BRENNAN, JUNE EIGHTEEN; FIFTYONE;
AT NEW YORK CITY. DESCRIPTION, ACTIVITIES, AND PERSONALITY OF
JOHN VERY SIMILAR TO WILLIAM WOLFE WEISBAND, NEW YORK FILE
SIXTYFIVE DASH ONE FIVE TWO NINE EIGHT. EXHIBIT PHOTO
OF WEISBAND TO [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY. REVIEW WITH HIM DATA RE UNKNOWN
COUPLE IN NEW JERSEY, [REDACTED]
NEWARK ADVISED BY MAIL. b7d

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 7/30/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/20/51	REPORT MADE BY MORIAN E. BLISS
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "JOHN"; [REDACTED] (b)1			CHARACTER OF CASE (TS) SPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] unable to identify any of photographs exhibited as unknown subject; wa. "JOHN". **b7d**

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DETAILS: On Jul. 20, 1951, **[REDACTED]** was shown photographs of the following persons but he was unable to identify any of these photographs as being that of the unknown subject, with alias "JOHN"; **b7d**.

BASSOFF, SERGE
BERMAN, WILLIAM JOSEPH
BRONSTEIN, GEORGE H.
COOKE, M.B.
FEIDMAN, ARMAND
GLASSER, ABRAHAM
GOLOS, MORRIS
GOLOS, J. H.
GREENBERG, NATHAN
HAPERMAN, ROBERTO
HELFGOTT, IEO
JACOBSON, ARVID
JONAS, MARK

KOLESNIKOV, ALEXEI
MACROVIA, Y
MALISOFF, WA.
MARCOVITCHE, AARON
MINK, GEORGE
NEVITT, JACK
REDER, FERDINAND
ROCHEZKI, P.
RODMOR, VICTOR
ROSE, FRED
ROSENBLITT, PHILIP
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STARK, ADOLPH
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SVETAILO, NIKOLAI
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WEISS, IGNACE

During the above interview [REDACTED] was unable to supply additional information concerning his meetings with the subject. b7d

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NEW YORK

At New York, N.Y.

Will continue to interview [REDACTED] for additional information he may be able to recall concerning the subject. b7d

Will continue to exhibit photographs of Russian officials and espionage agents to [REDACTED] b7d

Will attempt to have an artist's conception of the subject made up with the assistance of [REDACTED] b7d

REFERENCE: Report of SA RICHARD E. BRENNAN, New York, 6/18/51, entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa, 'JOHN'"; [REDACTED] b7d

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 7/30/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/20/51	REPORT MADE BY NORMAN E. BLISS
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "JOHN"; [REDACTED] (TS) b7d b1			CHARACTER OF CASE SPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] unable to identify any of photographs exhibited as unknown subject, wa. "JOHN". b7d

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DETAILS: On July 20, 1951, [REDACTED] was shown photographs of the following persons but he was unable to identify any of these photographs as being that of the unknown subject, with alias "JOHN": b7d

BASSOFF, SERGE
BERMAN, WILLIAM JOSEPH
BRONSTEIN, GEORGE H.
COCKE, M.B.
FEIDMAN, ARMAND
GLASSER, ABRAHAM
GOLOS, MORRIS
GOLOS, J. H.
GREENBERG, NATHAN
HAPERMAN, ROBERTO
HELFGOTT, IEO
JACOBSON, ARVID
JONAS, MARK

KOLESNIKOV, ALEXEI
MACHOVIA, Y
MALISOFF, WM.
MARCOVITCE, AARON
MINK, GEORGE
NEVITT, JACK
REDER, FERDINAND
ROCHEZKI, E.
RODNOR, VICTOR
ROSE, FRED
ROSENBLEITT, PHILIP
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

to Director, FBI

DATE: AUG 24 1951

from SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT

John
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R
(Bufile 65-59452)

This case is presently in a pending inactive status in the New York Office and all outstanding and logical leads have been covered.

Bureau authority is requested to place this case in a closed status and to place pertinent information therefrom in the Unsolved Situations file.

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Director, FBI
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, SA JOHN
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE & R

Reurlet 8-24-51 requesting that this case be
closed.

[REDACTED SECTION]

The files further disclosed that Elizabeth Bentley
has advised that Jacob Golos, known Soviet agent, told her
that Napoli worked for him. Golos did not discuss the
nature of the work.

It is noted that Napoli's description generally
fits that of Oneub John. Napoli was born in the United
States, is of Italian extraction, and stayed in Italy from
1914 to 1924. Napoli was single in 1939 and 1940. He
divorced his first wife in 1930 and remarried in 1941. It
is noted that Napoli made trips to the West Coast in con-
nection with his business, however, it is not known if he
made such trips in 1939 and 1940.

In light of the above, Philadelphia should exhibit
a photograph of Napoli, which is enclosed herewith, to
Informant Thomas L. Black. (100-301458)

Your attention is directed to NYC file 65-14763 in the
case entitled "Gregory Lvovich Rabinovitch", was, Espionage &
R" and to NYC report of SA William J. McCarthy, 8-18-48. This
report reveals that Frank Lavern Palmer was instrumental in
introducing Louis Budenz into Soviet espionage activity in
about 1938. Rabinovitch was Budenz's Soviet superior from
about 1937 to 1939. Palmer is currently being interviewed
by the Pittsburgh Division. One copy of NYC report of SA
Robert W. Gholson, 11-29-50, in the case entitled "Unknown

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Subject, Ed John, Thomas L. Black & Informant, Espionage & R" is being enclosed herewith for the Pittsburgh division. Since Palmer was interested in Trotskyite infiltration he was Unsub John, Pittsburgh is instructed to question Palmer about Unsub John to determine if he is able to identify Unsub John.

A lead has been set out by the New York division to the Raymond David Franklin, Espionage & R case for the Philadelphia division to exhibit a photograph of Franklin to Black. It is believed that Franklin should be considered a candidate for Unsub John in view of Franklin's close association with Radinovitsh plus the fact that Franklin is known to have been the espionage superior of James Olin York in 1938 and again in 1940.

Your attention is directed to NYC file 100-54816 in the case entitled "Martin Young, was; Internal Security & C" and to the report of SA R. Campbell Carden 11-4-43. The description of Young set out on page 5 meets many of the descriptive qualifications of Unsub John. It is noted that Young is related by marriage to Joseph Katz, known Soviet agent. NYC should forward a photograph of Martin Young to Philadelphia for exhibition to Black as a candidate for Unsub John.

(100-54816)

When the above investigation has been completed, NYC may again request Bureau authority to close this case, providing no logical leads are outstanding.

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SAC, New York

August 24, 1951

Director, FBI

Subject: [REDACTED] b7D

NY file 65-13699

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, [REDACTED] b7D

ESPIONAGE - R

NY file 65-15700

As you will recall, [REDACTED] was first interviewed by the New York City office [REDACTED]. The report of SA Richard E. Brennan, 8-18-51, in the Unsub John Doe and the same agent's report in the Unsub [REDACTED] case, 8-31-51, revealed that about 4000 photographs of various Russian espionage agents and Soviet Nationals have been shown to [REDACTED] in order to effect an identification of the unknown subjects of above-captioned cases.

[REDACTED] believes that [REDACTED] was probably a Russian and that [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] b7D

It is realized that it is often difficult to recognize a person from a photograph, especially if many years have elapsed since the photograph was taken and the time of viewing of the photograph.

It is also realized that subjects in the early stages of interview may possess nervous tension which would interfere with their most effective powers of observation of photographs. It is particularly noted [REDACTED] was known to be a highly emotional individual possessing an unstable temperament.

The ultimate identification of [REDACTED] will in all probability come about by [REDACTED] recognizing a photograph of each person.

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The NYO division is instructed to arrange for [REDACTED] to appear at the New York office and spend a reasonable amount of time re-viewing the photographs shown to him in the past. New York agents should arrange for as many meetings with [REDACTED] as necessary to insure that he affords this project.

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careful attention. When [redacted] appears to tire of viewing the photographs, the project should be discontinued and taken up again at a later meeting. Individuals who appear similar to either subject should be commented upon in your next report in the appropriate file.

In view of the many photographs of known Soviet agents and Soviet officials in the possession of the New York office, it is believed reasonable that the photograph of one or both of the above-captioned unknown subjects may already be in your possession.

This project should be completed and the Bureau advised of the results thereof by October 1, 1951.

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SAC, New York

September 17, 1951

Director, FBI

RENYOKE SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

ESPIONAGE - R
NY file 65-15099

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New York is requested to exhibit Skomorowsky's photograph to [REDACTED] and determine what his comments are concerning it. b7d

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 9/29/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/4, 11, 14, 21, 26/51	REPORT MADE BY Norman E. Bliss
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa, John [redacted] (U)			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] reshowed all photographs of known Soviet agents and Soviet officials in possession of New York Office without effecting identification. Two photographs described as similar but not identical by [redacted]

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DETAILS:

[redacted] was interviewed at the New York Office on five occasions and reshowed all of the photographs of Soviet agents and officials in the possession of the New York Office. He advised that he is certain that none of the photographs is that of [redacted]. However, he selected certain photographs as bearing similarity to [redacted] and his comments on the same follow:

1. **ANDREEV, PAVEL** - forehead, hair and eyes similar.
2. **DANALIN, ALEXANDER** - similar eyes and forehead.
3. **DEVIATYAROV, MIKHAIL** - hair and eyes similar.
4. **KAPLAN, RAHMILL** - forehead and eyes similar.
5. **KUDRYAVTSEV** - eyes similar.
6. **LISSITZYN, CONSTANTIN** - [redacted] believes LISSITZYN's general appearance is very similar to that of [redacted] except for the hair, of which LISSITZYN has too much, and the eyes which are not quite squinted enough.

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7. STOROZHENKO, ALEKSANDR - very similar to [REDACTED] as to the shape of the face above the eyes and the appearance of the hair. b7D

[REDACTED] is of the belief that it would not be difficult to draw an artist's conception of [REDACTED] based upon the photograph of LISSITZYN, but with the forehead and hair of STOROZHENKO and eyes similar to those of KUDRYAVTSEV.

It is noted that BORIS ALEXANDROVICH SKOMOROWSKY's photograph was exhibited to [REDACTED] he said there was no possibility of this man being [REDACTED]. He commented that the head is too wide, [REDACTED] never wore glasses and the eyes are not similar. b7D

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will immediately forward to the Bureau copies of the photographs of CONSTANTIN LISSITZYN and ALEKSANDR STOROZHENKO with all necessary information for the drawing of an artist's conception of [REDACTED] and will exhibit instant drawing to [REDACTED] for comments and suggestions.

Will exhibit to [REDACTED] any additional photographs of Russian nationals or agents which become available.

REFERENCES

Bureau letter to New York, 9/17/51.

Bureau letter to New York, 8/27/51.

Report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, 7/30/51, New York.

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NY File No. **65-15699** **EMH**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 9/29/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/11/51 26/51	REPORT MADE BY NOELIAN E. BLISS
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka "John" [REDACTED] (S)			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] reshowed all photographs of known Soviet agents and Soviet officials in possession of New York Office without effecting identification. Two photographs described as similar but not identical by [REDACTED]

DETAILS:

[REDACTED] was interviewed at the New York Office on five occasions and reshowed all of the photographs of Soviet agents and officials in the possession of the New York Office. He advised that he is certain that none of the photographs is that of [REDACTED]. However, he selected certain photographs as bearing similarity to [REDACTED] and his comments on the same follow:

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59452)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA
SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa. John
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 10/16/51

Reference is made to Bureau Letter dated October 3, 1951.

On October 10, 1951, THOMAS L. BLACK was shown a photograph of NICHOLA NAPOLI. BLACK stated he had never seen or met NAPOLI.

This matter is considered RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15416)

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SAC, New York (65-14753; 100-7519)

October 22, 1951

Director, FBI

GREGORY LYORICH RABINOVITCH, was:
ESPIONAGE - R

RUSSIAN RED CROSS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Investigation of the Rabinovitch case has revealed that Rabinovitch was the Soviet espionage superior of at least 9 persons during the time he was in the U. S.; 1934-1939. During this period, he also was the Director of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S.

A review of Bufiles failed to reveal that the staff of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. in the 1930's is known. It is believed logical that Rabinovitch may have used other persons connected with the Russian Red Cross in carrying out his espionage work, possibly as contacts for meetings he could not keep himself, or possibly to carry out his contacts after he left the U. S.

Thomas L. Black and [REDACTED] are two of the individuals operated by Rabinovitch. As you are aware, both Black and [REDACTED] have confessed their espionage activities. b7d

In both the Black and [REDACTED] cases, there are unknown Soviet superiors yet to be identified. Several of these unknown Soviet superiors immediately followed Rabinovitch in element of time as the respective espionage superiors of Black and [REDACTED] b7d

Three cases are:

Unknown Subject, wa. John; Thomas L. Black -
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Unknown Subject, wa. John [REDACTED]
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Unknown Subject, was. Karl, Carl, Thomas L. Black - Informant; Espionage - R; NYC file 65-15465 (Karl contacted Black in 1939-1940).

NYC is origin in the above-mentioned cases.

WFO is requested to contact the headquarters of the American National Red Cross to determine if possible the names of the members of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. from 1930 to 1941. (NYC rep. of SA Rex I. Shröder dated April 17, 1950, in the Rabinovitch case reveals that the Russian Red Cross was recalled to Russia as of August 1, 1941.) Photographs and descriptive data should be obtained if possible. For the information of the Washington Field office, Mr. H. J. Hughes of the American National Red Cross was advised by letter dated 2-1-51 of the espionage activities of Rabinovitch in the U. S. The names of the various persons operated by Rabinovitch, with the exception of Louis Budenz, were not mentioned in the interest of security. Budenz of course has made a public disclosure of his association with Rabinovitch.

Washington Field should supplement the information obtained from the American National Red Cross, if necessary, by obtaining additional information at the State Department and the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The information should be further supplemented by any pertinent information contained in the Washington Field office files concerning these individuals.

Washington Field should forward photographs and descriptive data of the members of the Russian Red Cross to New York City for exhibition [redacted] to Philadelphia for exhibition to Thomas L. Black as candidates for their respective unknown Soviet espionage superiors. b7d

ReNYrep of SA William J. McCarthy in the Rabinovitch case, 1-31-50, which reflected that Dr. David H. Dubrowsky, former head of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. until 1935, was interviewed by NYC agents. Since Dr. Dubrowsky's interview in January,

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1950, the extensive espionage activities of Gregory L. Rabinovitch have come to light. If a check of NYC files reveals no reasons to the contrary, NYC should reinterview Dr. Dubrowsky concerning the structural setup of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. in the 1930's. Dr. Dubrowsky should be particularly questioned as to the names of any individuals who associated closely with Rabinovitch. If possible, Dr. Dubrowsky's files should be reviewed for names and descriptive data of members of the Russian Red Cross. Any photographs which are available should be obtained if possible.

Upon the completion of the above outlined investigation, New York City should write a summary report entitled "Russian Red Cross; Internal Security - R." This summary report should briefly summarize the espionage activities of Rabinovitch and set out as completely as possible the names and descriptive data of the members of the Russian Red Cross. Any espionage activities of any members of the Russian Red Cross should be briefly set out therein. The last report written by New York City, the office of origin in the Russian Red Cross case, was the closing report of SA W. R. Hearns dated December 13, 1941.

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SAC, New York (65-14759; 100-7519)

October 22, 1951

Director, FBI

GREGORY LYORICH RABINOVITCH, was:

ESPIONAGE - R

RUSSIAN RED CROSS

INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Investigation of the Rabinovitch case has revealed that Rabinovitch was the Soviet espionage superior of at least 9 persons during the time he was in the U. S., 1934-1939. During this period, he also was the Director of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S.

A review of Bufiles fails to reveal that the staff of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. in the 1930's is known. It is believed logical that Rabinovitch may have used other persons connected with the Russian Red Cross in carrying out his espionage work; possibly he contacts for meetings he could not keep himself, or possibly to carry out his contacts after he left the U. S.

Thomas L. Black and [redacted] are two of the individuals operated by Rabinovitch. As you are aware, both Black and [redacted] have confessed their espionage activities. b7d

In both the Black and [redacted] cases, there are unknown Soviet superiors yet to be identified. Several of these unknown Soviet superiors immediately followed Rabinovitch in element of time as the respective espionage superiors of Black and [redacted] b7d

These cases are:

Unknown Subject, wa. John; Thomas L. Black, - Informant; Espionage - R; NYC file 65-15415 (John contacted Black in 1939-1940)

Unknown Subject, wa. John; [redacted] - Informant; Espionage - R; NYC file [redacted] b7d

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cc: Philadelphia

Washington Field

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cc: 65-59480 (Black & Karl)
65-50217 (Mehaker & John)
65-59452 (Black & John)

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Unknown Subject, was: Karl, Carl, Thomas L.
Black - Informant, Espionage R; NYG file
65-15465 (Karl contacted Black in 1939-1940;

NYC is origin in the above-mentioned cases.

NYO is requested to contact the Headquarters
of the American National Red Cross to determine if pos-
sible the names of the members of the Russian Red Cross
in the U. S. from 1930 to 1941. (NYC rep of SA Rex I.
Shroder dated April 17, 1950, in the Rabinovitch case
reveals that the Russian Red Cross was recalled to
Russia as of August 1, 1941.) Photographs and
descriptive data should be obtained if possible. For
the information of the Washington Field Office, Mr. H.
J. Hughes of the American National Red Cross was
advised by letter dated 2-1-51 of the espionage
activities of Rabinovitch in the U. S. The names of
the various persons operated by Rabinovitch, with the
exception of Louis Budenz, were not mentioned in the
interest of security. Budenz of course has made a
public disclosure of his association with Rabinovitch.

Washington Field should supplement the infor-
mation obtained from the American National Red Cross, if
necessary, by obtaining additional information at the
State Department and the Immigration and Naturalization
Service. The information should be further supplemented
by any pertinent information contained in the Washington
Field Office files concerning these individuals.

Washington Field should forward photographs
and descriptive data of the members of the Russian Red
Cross to New York City for exhibition to [redacted]
[redacted] and to Philadelphia for exhibition to Thomas L.
Black as candidates for their respective unknown Soviet
espionage superiors. b7d

ReNYrep of SA William J. McCarthy in the
Rabinovitch case, 1-31-50, which reflected that Dr.
David H. Dubrowsky, former head of the Russian Red
Cross in the U. S. until 1935, was interviewed by NYC
agents. Since Dr. Dubrowsky's interview in January,

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York

DATE: 10/23/51

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa
ESPIONAGE - R

b7d

Re Report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, 9/29/51, at New York

[redacted] has recently reviewed all photographs of Russian officials and espionage agents available in the New York office without effecting an identification of [redacted]. [redacted] selected a photograph of CONSTANTIN LISSITZYN as bearing considerable similarity to [redacted] except for the hair of which there is too much and the eyes which should be slightly more squinted. [redacted] expressed the opinion that if an artist's conception could be made copying LISSITZYN's features below the eyes, the forehead and hairline of ALEKSANDR STOROZHENKO and the eyes of MIKHAIL DEVIATYAROV, a reasonable likeness of [redacted] may be expected. b7d
Photographs of the above mentioned three individuals are enclosed and it is requested that a Bureau artist attempt to draw [redacted] as suggested above.

For further possible aid in preparing this drawing a physical description of [redacted] as provided by [redacted] follows: b7d

Nationality	Probably Russian.
Age	40-45 (in about 1942)
Height	5' 5" to 5' 7"
Weight	Approximately 135
Hair	Probably brown. [redacted] said [redacted] was almost completely bald on top of his head and that what hair remained was on the sides of his head. b7d
Eyes	Probably brown, usually smiling in what [redacted] described as a squinting but pleasant smile

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Letter to Director

NY [redacted] b7d

General Characteristics

Quiet spoken, very intelligent and capable appearing, pleasant personality, conservative dresser

It is the intention of the New York office to delay exhibiting the artist's conception of [redacted] to other informants until [redacted] has had an opportunity to see it and make comments. It will be recalled that in the case of LUCY BOOKER a number of changes were necessary before the informant felt that the drawing was a suitable likeness. b7d

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FINAL ARTIST'S COLLECTION

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
ESPIONAGE-R

b7d

[REDACTED] b7d

AGE - 40-45 (1941)
HT: 5'5" - 5'7"
WT: 135 LBS.

SOVIET ESPIONAGE SUPERVISOR
[REDACTED]

b7d

HAIR: MED. BROWN; COMBING: BACK ON TOP & AWAY
EYES: MED. BROWN, USUALLY SHUT IN A SQUINTING
BUT PLEASANT SMILE.

NATIONALITY - PROBABLY RUSSIAN
CHARACTERISTICS - FURT SPORTS; INTELLIGENT & CONFIDENT
APPEARING; PLEASANT PERSONALITY;
CONSERVATIVE DRESSER.

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SAC, New York

Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, FBI

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There are forwarded herewith three copies each of two artist's conceptions of Unknown Subject prepared by the Cartographic Section of the Bureau. They should be exhibited to [redacted] for his careful observation and comments, whereupon New York City should prepare a critique and submit same to the Bureau. b7d

The Cartographic Section will prepare further artist conceptions based on the critique.

If several attempts to strike at a battle/doubtful success of the Unknown Subject are unsuccessfully considered, will be given to sending a representative of the Cartographic Section to New York City for direct consultation with [redacted] b7d

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (65-4377)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John
THOMAS L. BLACK - Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 11/26/51

G.I.R.-5

Rebulet dated 10/20/51.

On 11/23/51 a photograph of NIKOLAI VLADIMIROVICH SMIRNOV was shown to THOMAS L. BLACK. He advised that he had never seen or met SMIRNOV at any time. BLACK also stated the face of SMIRNOV did not in any way remind him of JOHN.

This matter is considered RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15415)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)

FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh (65-1468)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa John;
 THOMAS L. BLACK - Informant;
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 11-28-51

Rebulet 10-3-51.

[REDACTED] were unable to furnish any information as to the identity of the subject. It is noted that [REDACTED] admitted being engaged in espionage activities between [REDACTED] also has admitted knowing OVARIMIAN approximately 1937-38. b7d.

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cc - New York (65-15414)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 FROM : SAC, New York
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.
 [REDACTED] b7d

DATE: 12/6/51

ESP. - R

Re. New York letter to the Director, Oct. 23, 1951,
 which requested that an artists conception of the unknown
 subject be made up at the Bureau.

Inasmuch as the New York Office has no additional
 photographs of suspects to show [REDACTED] at the present
 time, this office is placing this case in pending inactive
 status until receipt of the artists drawing from the Bureau. b7d

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI [REDACTED]
 FROM : SAC, New York ([REDACTED]) b7d
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. [REDACTED]
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: January 14, 1952

[REDACTED] was shown both artist's conceptions of the unknown subject which were made up at the Bureau. He advised that the enclosed picture is an excellent likeness of the unknown subject and said he could suggest only three slight changes which would make it conform exactly to his recollection of [REDACTED]. They are as follows: b7d

- (1) The entire head from a point opposite the mouth on up should be narrowed very slightly, inasmuch as [REDACTED] face was slightly narrower than the drawing.
- (2) It would help if a slight suggestion of a smile could be added around the mouth because of the fact [REDACTED] was a friendly person who was actually smiling much of the time and was not quite as stern as the drawing depicts.
- (3) [REDACTED] suggested that the lower part of the face should not be shadowed [REDACTED] was always a clean-shaven man. b7d

[REDACTED] stated that in his opinion changes number one and two, above, should be very slight because of the fact that the drawing as it now exists is remarkably similar to the appearance of [REDACTED]. b7d

[REDACTED] remarks concerning the other artist's conception were to the effect that although it is similar to the first drawing, it does not come nearly so close to resembling [REDACTED] and it is not being enclosed with this letter. b7d

It is requested that the above-mentioned three changes be attempted at the Bureau and the results forwarded to this office for examination by [REDACTED]. It is also requested that the enclosed photograph be returned at that time. b7d

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[REDACTED] b7d
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Artist's Conception of:
Unsub, WA. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] b7d

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NYC file [REDACTED] b7d
BU file [REDACTED]

Prepared by Cartographic
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SAC, New York

Director, FBI

February 13, 1952

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa

ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to New York letter dated January 14, 1952, which furnished a critique of previous artist's conceptions furnished to New York by the Cartographic Section of the Bureau.

Attached hereto are two copies of a revised artist's conception of the unknown subject prepared along the lines suggested in referenced letter.

The lower face of the artist's conception has been lightened according to your suggestion, however, the Cartographic Section is of the opinion that any further efforts to lighten the face may interfere with the likeness of the conception to the subject.

The piercing eyes of the artist's conception tend to give the face an appearance of hardness. No efforts were made to alter the eyes. If [redacted] believes that alteration of the eyes would improve the conception, efforts will be made to change it according to his critique. b7d

The new artist's conception should be exhibited to [redacted] for his comments and criticism. New York should promptly advise the Bureau of the results. b7d

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ARTIST'S CONCEPTION

UNSUB [REDACTED]

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Bureau File - [REDACTED]
NYC File [REDACTED] b7d

Prepared at Cartographic
Section of Bureau November 1951

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

to : Director, FBI (65-59452)

DATE: January 18, 1952

FROM : SAC, New York 65-15415

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; (a) BORN
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

Rebulet to NY; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh 10/3/51.
Re Philadelphia letters to Bureau 10/15/51 and 1/11/52.
Re Pittsburgh letter to Bureau.

At the present time there is no investigation outstanding
in this case in the NY Field Division.

Referenced Bureau letter requested Philadelphia to exhibit
a photograph of ZALMCND DAVID FRANKLIN to BLACK. A review of the
NY file fails to reflect that FRANKLIN'S photo has been exhibited
to BLACK.

The Philadelphia office is requested to exhibit FRANKLIN'S
photo to BLACK and advise NY as to the results thereof. Philadelphia
is also requested to advise NY as to the names of the agents who
displayed the photographs of YOUNG, NAPOLI, SMIRNOV and FRANKLIN
to BLACK and Pittsburgh is requested to advise NY the names of the
agents who contacted [REDACTED]

b7d

2 ccs: Philadelphia (65-4377)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)
 FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh (65-1468)
 SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa. JOHN;
 THOMAS L. BLACK - Informant
 ESPIONAGE - R.

DATE: January 24, 1952

G.I.R. 3

Re New York let 1/18/52.

[REDACTED] were
 contacted by SA THOMAS T. WILKINSON on October 6, 1951.
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cc: New York (65-15415)

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Office Memorandum : UI UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

to : Director, FBI (65-59452)
FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (65-4332)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John
THOMAS L. BLACK - Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 1/25/52

Rebulet 10/3/51 and New York letter 1/18/52.

Referenced Bulet states that a lead was set out by the New York Division in the ZALMOND DAVID FRANKLIN, ESPIONAGE - R case for the Philadelphia Division to exhibit a photograph of FRANKLIN to BLACK. The Philadelphia indices contain no record of a ZALMOND DAVID FRANKLIN. It is requested that the New York Office submit a photograph of FRANKLIN in order that this lead may be handled.

In connection with the referenced New York letter, SA ROBERT G. JENSEN did exhibit photographs of YOUNG, NAPOLI and BUCHANAN to THOMAS L. BLACK.

ROJ:MEMcd

cc: New York (65-15415)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59452)

DATE: 3/14/52

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4377)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter dated 2/12/52.

On March 13, 1952, THOMAS L. BLACK was shown a photograph of
ZALMOND DAVID FRANKLIN, by SA ROBERT O. JENSEN. BLACK advised
that he had never seen or met FRANKLIN at any time. This
matter is considered RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15415)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (65-60248)

DATE: MAR 21 1952

FROM: SAC, New York (65-15699)

SUBJECT: UNSUB Wa [REDACTED]

ESPIONAGE - R b7d

Rebulet to New York, 2/13/52. G.R. 5.1

Enclosed are five copies of the report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, New York, dated MAR 21 1952, containing comments of [REDACTED] re the latest artist's conception of unknown subject [REDACTED] which was dated 2/7/52. b7d

It is requested that the Bureau photographic section attempt to change the ears and chin of the drawing in accordance with the informant's comments under items two and three, and forward results to this office for a further critique by [REDACTED] b7d

The New York Office is at this time engaged in reviewing all photographs of Soviet agents and officials available, most of which were reviewed by [REDACTED] over a period of several days in September, 1951. It is planned that all photographs which reasonably approach the description [REDACTED] will be reshowed to the informant in the near future and the names set out in a report. b7d

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "John" [REDACTED] <i>b7d</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] reviewed latest Artist's conception of [REDACTED] and furnished criticisms which are set out. Photographs of Russians displayed to [REDACTED] who could not identify any of them. *b7d*

DETAILS: At New York, New York:

The latest artist's conception dated February 7, 1952, was displayed to [REDACTED] who made the following comments: *b7d*

1. The informant did not feel that any change in the area of the eyes or mouth is necessary.
2. [REDACTED] now feels that it would improve the drawing if the ears could be set slightly closer to the head. *b7d*
3. The lightened lower face has improved the similarity to the coloring of [REDACTED] face; but in the process of removing the shadowing [REDACTED] feels the chin has been given a more narrow or pointed appearance and appears slightly longer. This detracts from the overall similarity to [REDACTED] according to the informant. He stated that in his opinion the chin of the first drawing was of proper shape and requested that an effort be made to regain that shape while maintaining the lighter coloration of the latest drawing. *b7d*

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Edward J. [REDACTED]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	ENCLOSURE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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NY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in February, 1952, photographs of the following Soviet Nationals, most of whom were students in the United States during the period from 1942 to 1947, were displayed to [REDACTED] inasmuch as some of them are under consideration as possible Soviet espionage agents in another matter. [REDACTED] was unable to identify any of them: b7d

IVANE EFIMOVICH KAMENEV
VLADIMIR GAVRILOVICH MIKHAILOV
VICTOR SERGEEVICH KIRILLOV
ALEXANDER NIKOLAEVICH SLAVJAGIN
VALENTIN EFIMOVICH TOLSTIKOV
LEONID MIKHAILOVICH ANDREEV
BORIS NIKOLAEVICH KRYLOV
KONSTANTINE GRIGORIEVICH FEDOSEEV
MIKHAIL ALEXECVICH CHEKMAREV
NIKOLAI IVANOVICH CHEKLIN
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PETR IVANOVICH TITOV
NIKOLAI PROKOPLEVICH KARPEKOV
ALEXANDER SERGEEVICH BORISOV
ALEXANDER GEORGIEVICH ALEXANDROV
GENNAUDY NIKOLAEVICH OGLOBLINE
YAKOV ANANIEVICH LITOVCHENKO
LEV NIKOLAEVICH MASLENNIKOV
ALEXANDER ROSTARTSUK
ALEXANDER GRIGORIEVICH EGOURNOV
LEONID GRIGORIEVICH PRITOMANOV
ANDREI SEMENOVICH SMIRNOV
MIKHAIL NILOVICH SOLOVIEV
NIKITA BIRILLOVICH PANCHENKO
SEMEN ALECSANDROVICH GONIONSKY
NIKOLAI SERGEEVICH IVANOV
ALEXANDER ANDREEVICH RAEV
YAKOV ANANEVICH LITOVCHENKO

On March 5, 1952, the following additional photographs of Soviet citizens who have been in the United States were shown to [REDACTED] with no recognition results: b7d

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ALEXANDER ROSTARTCHOUK
KONSTANTIN NIKANOROVICH
MIKHAIL NICOLAEVICH KHVOSTOV
EUGENI MIKHAILOVICH SOMINSKI
SERGUEI GEORGIEVICH DMITRIEV
VICTOR VASILIEVICH KAPALKIN
VLADIMIR ILICH BUBNOV
LAVR PETROVICH JEREFTZOV

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At New York, New York:

Will continue to show photographs of Soviet officials to [REDACTED] b7d

Will upon receipt of new revised drawing from the Bureau display same to [REDACTED] for further comments. b7d

REFERENCE

Bureau letter to New York, 2/13/52

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka "John" [REDACTED] <i>b7d</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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DETAILS: At New York, New York:

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3. The lightened lower face has improved the similarity to the coloring of [REDACTED] face, but in the process of removing the shadowing [REDACTED] feels the chin has been given a more narrow or pointed appearance and appears slightly longer. This detracts from the overall similarity to [REDACTED] according to the informant. He stated that in his opinion the chin of the first drawing was of proper shape and requested that an effort be made to regain that shape while maintaining the lighter coloration of the latest drawing. *b7d*

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ARTISTS CONCEPTION

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NEW YORK

April 22, 1952

Director, FBI

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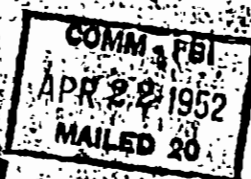
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Reurlet dated March 21, 1952, and report of SA
Norman E. Ellis of the same date.

There are enclosed herewith three copies of an
artist's conception of unknown subject which have been
made at the suggestion of [redacted] They
should be exhibited to [redacted] for his comments and the
Bureau advised of the results. b7d

Signature

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (65-59452)
FROM: SAO, New York (65-15415)
SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa: John
THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: APR 3 1952

Rerep of SA WILLIAM R. YATES, New York, dated APR 3 1952
five copies of which are enclosed, and Bulet to New York,
10/3/51.

ReBulet advised that Bureau authority to close this
case could be requested when the investigation outlined in that
letter was completed provided no further logical leads were
present.

Inasmuch as all outstanding leads have been covered
and the requested investigation in relet has been conducted,
Bureau authority to close this case is requested again. In the
event that such authority is granted, pertinent information from
this case file will be incorporated in the unsolved situations
file.

It is to be noted that [REDACTED] declared
that he was never in the United States between 1914 and 1941,
[REDACTED] (b) (7)(d)

[REDACTED] was shown photographs of HARRY GOLD and THOMAS
L. BLACK, along with numerous other photographs, and was not
advised of their identity and of the fact that they were the
individuals who were acquainted with the unknown subject.

[REDACTED] was unable to identify them as anyone he ever knew.
[REDACTED] likewise could not identify the photograph of GAIK B.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE APR 8 1952	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/6;11/23;28/51; 1/10;3/10;13/52	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM R. YATES
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa: John; THOMAS L. BLACK; INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that he has never heard of the unknown subject and knows nothing of his activities. THOMAS L. BLACK was shown photographs of various individuals with negative results.

[redacted] advised they know nothing concerning the unknown subject. b7d

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DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, who has been identified as an [redacted]

[redacted] has advised that he knows nothing concerning the unknown subject of this case. The unknown subject's description and background information was furnished to the informant in an effort to identify the unknown subject. (b) 7(d)

Photographs and descriptions of the following individuals were exhibited to THOMAS L. BLACK, an admitted former Soviet espionage agent, in an effort to identify the unknown subject of this case with negative results:

NICHOLA NAPOLI
NIKOLAI VLADIMIROVICH SMIRNOV
MARTIN YOUNG, was.
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[REDACTED] advised that they knew nothing concerning the unknown subject and stated that they were unable to furnish any information as to the identity of the unknown subject. b7d

[REDACTED] b7d

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INFORMANT

T-1

[REDACTED] who was interviewed by
SAS ROBERT S. PLANTZ and CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN
at [REDACTED] on March 10, 1952.

(b) 7(d), [REDACTED]

MISCELLANEOUS

Copies of this report are being furnished for
informational purposes to Los Angeles, Philadelphia, San
Francisco, and Washington Field Offices in accordance with
present Bureau instructions.

REFERENCE

Bureau letter to New York, 10/3/51

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE APR 3 1952	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/6, 11/23/26/51 1/10/52, 10/11/52	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM H. ZATSE
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was John; THOMAS L. BLAKE, INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that he has never heard of the unknown subject and knows nothing of his activities. THOMAS L. BLAKE was shown photographs of various individuals with negative results.

[REDACTED] advised they know nothing concerning the unknown subject. b7d

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DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, who has been identified as an [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has advised that he knows nothing concerning the unknown subject of this case. The unknown subject's description and background information was furnished to the informant in an effort to identify the unknown subject. (b) 7(d), (

Photographs and descriptions of the following individuals were exhibited to THOMAS L. BLAKE, an admitted former Soviet espionage agent, in an effort to identify the unknown subject of this case with negative results:

**NICHOLA HAPOLI
 NIKOLAI VLADIMIROVICH SHIRKOV
 MARTIN YOUNG, was.
 ALMOND DAVID FRANKLIN**

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SAC, New York (65-15419)

April 25, 1952

Director, FBI (65-15419)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka John
THOMAS L. BLACK - INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

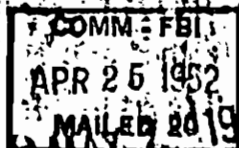
Reurlet April 3, 1952, requesting authority to close
instant case.

Your attention is directed to New York file 100-7518
entitled "Russian Red Cross, Internal Security - R". New York is
office of origin in that case and efforts are being made to
reconstitute the structure of the Russian Red Cross in the United
States prior to 1941. You will recall that Gregory L. Rabinovitch,
the superior of Thomas L. Black, prior to unknown subject John, was
the Director of the Russian Red Cross in the United States until he
departed for Russia in September 1939. It is possible that
Rabinovitch used persons connected with the Russian Red Cross to
assist him in his espionage operations or to carry on after he left
the United States.

New York is requested to place the unknown subject John
case in a pending inactive status rather than a closed case until
the Russian Red Cross case has been more fully developed. If the
identities of individuals connected with the Russian Red Cross can
be ascertained, their photographs should be exhibited to Black as
candidates for unknown subject John.

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WFO, New York

April 8, 1952

Director, FBI

Unknown Subject John

ESPIONAGE - R

Report of SA Sherman E. Clark dated March 17, 1952, at New York, in the case entitled "Rebecca Katzoff", was Espionage - R, New York file 69-15680, which sets out background information concerning Leon Naiditch.

It is noted that the description of Leon Naiditch generally fits that of unknown subject John.

The residence of Leon Naiditch, 101 West 78th Street, New York City, is in the general vicinity of 72nd and Broadway, the location where the unknown subject may have lived.

As New York has previously been advised in the Joseph Katz case, [redacted]

[redacted] Katz' mistress, Rebecca Katzoff, visited Vladimir Naiditch's home during the latter part of 1941. (b) 7 (d)

Naiditch entered the United States in January 1941 and became a United States citizen May 12, 1947. He was in the United States during the pertinent period of instant case.

New York should exhibit a photograph of Leon Naiditch to [redacted] as a candidate for unknown subject John. A photograph of Vladimir Naiditch should also be exhibited to [redacted]

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New York [redacted]
Director, FBI [redacted]
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was, John
[redacted]
ESPIONAGE - R

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May 13, 1952

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New York is referred to file 100-68391 in the case entitled, "Vladimir Vladimirovich Lebedenko, was, Internal Security - R." This file reflects that Lebedenko was the representative of the USSR Red Cross in the United States from March 14, 1948, to June 22, 1949, when he departed for Russia.

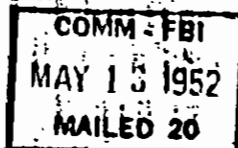
In view of the fact [redacted] was operated for a number of years by Gregory L. Rabinovitch, former head of the USSR Red Cross in the United States until 1938, New York is instructed to exhibit a photograph of Lebedenko to [redacted] as a candidate for the unknown subject of instant case.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI [REDACTED]
 FROM : SAC, New York [REDACTED]
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; was [REDACTED]
 ESPIONAGE-R [REDACTED]

DATE: 6/26/52

Enclosed are five copies of the report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, New York, dated 6/20/52, which sets forth the fact that [REDACTED] was shown the most recent artist's conception [REDACTED] which was based upon revisions to ears and chin as suggested by [REDACTED]. It is now [REDACTED] opinion that the previous drawing made up by the Cartographic Section on February 7, 1952, was as close to the appearance [REDACTED] as can reasonably be expected, and the changes which have been effected in the most recent drawing, in April, 1952, have detracted from the resemblance.

It is therefore suggested that the Bureau make up one dozen copies of the February drawing and forward same to New York, along with one copy of the negative of instant drawing which could be used by New York, in the event that the additional copies are needed at a later date.

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CAPT. [REDACTED]

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [redacted] b7d			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE-R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

[redacted] reviewed artist's conception of [redacted] prepared in 4/52, but has decided that the previous drawing was better, and is as good as can be done from his memory of [redacted] b7d

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DETAILS

At New York, New York:

The artist's conception of [redacted] which was made up in April, 1952, was shown to [redacted] who stated that despite the changes incorporated at his suggestion, he feels that the previous effort of February 7, 1952 was a closer likeness. [redacted] expressed the opinion that the February drawing is very good to the best of his recollection, and he is unable to give further suggestions to improve it. b7d

[redacted] was shown photographs of VLADIMIR LEBEDENKO, LEON NAIDITCH, and VLADIMIR NAIDITCH, and stated that he had never seen any of these men. b7d

The following photographs were selected from several thousand previously shown to [redacted] and re-shown to him inasmuch as they all approach the general description of the unknown subject. He was unable to recall having seen any of them. b7d

AGEEV, ALEKSEY
AGEEV, SERGEI
AJREPTOV, LEON
ALEKASIN, ALEXANDER

ALEXEEV, PAVEL
ARTEMIEV, MIKHAIL
ARTEMIEV, PAVEL
AVERYANOV, IVAN

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BAKLANOV, NIKOLAI
BARAEV, BORIS
BASHILOV, ARSENI
BAZHANOV, VLADIMIR
BORISOV, ALEXANDRO
BORISOV, SERGEI
BORISOV, VASILI
BOTVINKO, MOISEI
BUSHUYER, NIKOLAI
CHEKANOVSKI, ANATOLI
CHERNYAKOV, EFIM
DANILIN, ALEXANDRE
DERMAN, BORIS
FEDOSEEV, IVAN
GAVRILOV, PETR
GERASIMOV, NIKOLAI
GETMANOV, YAKOV
GLUPUSHKIN, PETR
GOGIBERIDZE, ARCHIL
GOLUBUSHKI, VASILI
GUSAROV, VLADIMIR
IVANOV, ALEKSANDR
IVANOV, LEV
IVANOV, VASILY
IZVEKOV, NIKOLAI
KAPLAN, RAKHMIIL
KHARITONOV, MIKHAIL
KISELEV, FEDOR
KLAVA, GUSTAV
KOBULASHVILI, SHALVA
KOLESNICHENKO, NIKOLAI
KORSAKOV, SERGEI
KOSMATOV, LEONID
KOVALEV, ALEXANDER
KOZHEVNIKOV, EUGENI
KRAVCHENKO, LEONTII
KROTKOV, FEDOR
KUDYHARDYZOV, GEORGI

KUSHNAREV, VASILII
LEVIN, DMITRI
LEVIN, SOLOMON
LISHAI, KONSTANTIN
LISSITZYN, KONSTANTIN
LITVINENKO, MIKHAIL
LOGINOV, ALEXEI
LYOV, EUGUENI
MALAKHOV, FEDOR
MALISOFF, WILLIAM
MOROZOV, DMITRI
MOSHKOV, NIKOLAI
MOSKOLEV, TIMOFEI
MOSTSEPAN, IVAN
MUDRYKH, GEORGI
NESTERENKO, ANETOLI
OPARIN, FEDOR
PRIOROV, NIKOLAI
RAEV, ALEXANDER
RODIONOV, IVAN
SAKSIN, G. F.
SANKIN, NIKOLAI
SHALNIKOV, MICHAEL
SHCHELKALIN, S. S.
SHCHEPETEV, ANDREI
SILOV, BORIS
SKVIRSKY, BORIS
SORVIN, ALEXEI
STADNIK, GREGORY
STOROZHUNKO, ALEKSANDR
TCHERNIAKOV, SEMENE
TROITSKY, ALEXANDR
VENEDIKTOV, WASSILIJ
ZAITSEV, NIKOLAI
ZOUSANOV, GUEORGUI

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NY [REDACTED] b7d

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LEADS:

NEW YORK

At New York; New York

Will continue to show photographs of Soviet Nationals and other possible candidates [REDACTED] b7d

Will, upon receipt of additional copies of artist's conception [REDACTED] from the Bureau, display same to informants who have had contacts with Russian espionage agents.

REFERENCE: Bureau letters, 4/18/52, 4/22/52, 5/13/52, NY.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, vs [REDACTED] b7d			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE-R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] reviewed artist's conception of [REDACTED] prepared in 4/52, but has decided that the previous drawing was better, and is as good as can be done from his memory of [REDACTED] b7d

DETAILS:

At New York, New York:

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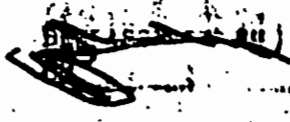
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[REDACTED] was shown photographs of VLADIMIR LEBEDENKO, LEON NAIDITCH, and VLADIMIR NAIDITCH, and stated that he had never seen any of these men. b7d

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SAC, New York

Director, FBI

Unknown Subject

SPIONAGE - R

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Barley, memo-35 and report of Special Agent
Thomas H. Allen, dated 6-20-52, re New York City
attached, therein, Barley and referred incorrectly to
the Bureau file number as 65-60248. The Bureau
file number is [redacted] The Bureau's copies
have been corrected and New York should be likewise.

Barley requested that a dozen copies of the
February artist's conception together with 6 photographs
of same be forwarded to the New York Division. There
are enclosed herewith 6 dozen copies of the artist's
conception as well as the negatives. The photographs
should be exhibited to logical informants who may be
able to identify the Unknown Subject.

The artist's conception should be exhibited to
[redacted] friend and former espionage associate of
[redacted] for his comments. b7d

Enclosure

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI [REDACTED] b7d

DATE: JUL 30 1952

FROM : SAC, New York ([REDACTED] b7d)

SUBJECT: UNSUB [REDACTED] b7d

ESPIONAGE [REDACTED]

The NYO is forwarding to Los Angeles a copy of a drawing of the unknown subject which has been made up with the assistance of [REDACTED] who was engaged in Soviet espionage from [REDACTED]. It is requested that instant drawing be exhibited to [REDACTED] for their comments as to the possibility [REDACTED] being identical with [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED] has furnished the following description of [REDACTED] whom he last saw in the late fall of 1944! b7d

Nationality

Probably Russian

Age

40-45 (in 1942)

Height

5'5" - 5'7"

Weight

135

Hair

Probably brown. [REDACTED] des- b7d

[REDACTED] as almost completely bald except for hair on sides.

Eyes

Probably brown; usually smiling in a pleasant, squinting smile. Quiet spoken; intelligent and capable appearing; pleasant personality; conservative dresser.

General Characteristics

It is noted that a major discrepancy between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is the fact that [REDACTED] was quite bald. However, on a number of other points, there is a similarity of descriptions, and it therefore appears that the drawing [REDACTED] should be displayed to [REDACTED] b7d

It is requested that NY be advised as to the comments of the [REDACTED] on the drawing [REDACTED] b7d

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

to SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) b7d

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) b7d

SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter to Bureau dated 8/15/52.

This letter is requested to display the concept of the objective of developing possible suspects for the unknown subject.

[REDACTED]

CHAMBERS, WHITTAKER
BLACK, THOMAS L.
GOLD, HARRY
GREENGLASS, DAVID

[REDACTED]

All available information has been furnished by [REDACTED] who was engaged in Russian espionage in the New York City area with his principal work consisting of [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED]

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- 3 - Washington Field (Encl. 1)
- 2 - Baltimore (Encl. 1)
- 4 - Philadelphia (Encl. 1)
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- 2 - New York

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Letter to Director

NY

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KNOWN FACTS

1. Physical Description

Nationality

Probably Russian, in the informant's opinion. Also, he thinks it is probable [redacted] had not been in the U.S. long [redacted]

[redacted] inasmuch as he spoke with a marked accent and his knowledge of customs and expressions of this country was very limited.

Age

40-45 (in about 1942)

Height

5' 5" - 5' 7"

Weight

Approx. 135 pounds

Hair

Probably brown. According to [redacted] a distinctive feature of [redacted] appearance was the fact that he was almost completely bald on top of his head, and what hair remained was on the sides of his head. b7d

Eyes

Probably brown, usually smiling in what [redacted] has described as a squinting but pleasant smile. b7d

General Characteristics

Quiet, spoken, very intelligent and capable, appearing pleasant personality, conservative dresser.

2. PERIOD OF KNOWN ACTIVITY

[redacted]
(This was the period during which the Unsub. was [redacted] and does not, of course, give any indication as to how long before and after these dates he was operating.)

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Letter to Director
NY [REDACTED] b7d

3. AREA OF ACTIVITY

INFORMANT All of the Unsub's contacts [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were in New York City

[REDACTED] in various bars, restaurants, and other places. It is possible, of course, [REDACTED] was also active in other cities during the same period. [REDACTED] b7d

4. RESIDENCE

Unknown. However, there appears to be a very good chance that [REDACTED] during the time [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was residing in the general vicinity of 72nd Street and Broadway, New York City. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7d
INFORMANT It should be noted that although [REDACTED] believed that the artist's drawing closely approaches the appearance [REDACTED] it is very possible that the resemblance may not be great inasmuch as [REDACTED] last saw [REDACTED] For this reason it is requested that informants who are interviewed be asked to furnish the names of possible suspects who even slightly resemble the drawing, and it is also suggested that variation from the physical description supplied above should not be regarded as eliminating a possible suspect. b7d

From the limited amount of information available [REDACTED] at the present time, it appears that suspects could be eliminated on the following grounds:

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Letter to Director

NY [REDACTED] b7c

1. If it is definitely known that they were not in the Eastern part of the United States during the period 1942 to 1944.

2. If it is known that they were not bald or balding at that time.

3. If they had no noticeable foreign accent in those years.

It would be appreciated if the New York Office is advised as to the results obtained from displaying the drawing to the informants listed.

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Unsub. WA. [REDACTED]

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ARTIST'S CONCEPTION

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Date: October 6, 1952

To: [REDACTED] (S) b1

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa; b7D
ESPIONAGE - R

An informant of known reliability who formerly served as a Soviet espionage agent in the United States has advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was an individual by the name [REDACTED] was principally interested in infiltration of the Trotskyite Party in New York City. (u) b7D

An artist's conception has been prepared [REDACTED] and according to the informant, it closely approaches the appearance [REDACTED] A copy of the artist's conception is attached hereto. (u) b7D

According to the informant, the following are the known facts concerning [REDACTED] (u) b7D

Physical Description

Nationality

Probably Russian, in the informant's opinion. Also, he thinks it is probable [REDACTED] had not been in the U. S. long. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as he spoke with a marked accent and his knowledge of customs and

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Age

expressions of this country
was very limited.

Height

40-45 (in about 1942)

Weight

5' 8" - 5' 7"

Hair

Approximately 185 pounds.

Probably brown. According
to the informant, a distinctive
feature [redacted] appearance
was the fact that he was almost
completely bald on top of his
head, and what hair remained
was on the sides of his head.

Eyes

Probably brown, usually smiling
in what the informant has
described as a squinting but
pleasant smile.

General
Characteristics

quiet spoken, very intelligent
and capable appearing, pleasant
personality, conservative
dresser.

Period of Known Activity

See the period [redacted] the subject was [redacted]
[redacted] and does not, of course,
give any indication as to how long before and
after these dates he was operating. b7d

Area of Activity

All of the subject's contacts [redacted]
[redacted] were in New York City [redacted]
[redacted] in various bars,
restaurants and other places. It is possible,
of course, [redacted] was also active in
other cities during the same period, [redacted]

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Residence

Unknown. However, there appears to be a very good chance that during the time [redacted] was residing in the general vicinity of Grand Street and Broadway, New York City. [redacted]

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It should be noted that although the informant believes that the artist's drawing closely approaches the appearance [redacted] it is very possible that the resemblance may not be great inasmuch as the informant last saw [redacted]. For this reason, it is requested that informants who are interviewed be asked to furnish the names of possible suspects who even slightly resemble the drawing, and it is also suggested that variation from the physical description supplied above should not be regarded as eliminating a possible suspect.

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From the limited amount of information available [redacted] at the present time, it appears that suspects could be eliminated on the following grounds: b7d

1. If it is definitely known that they were not in the eastern part of the United States during the period 1942 to 1944.

2. If it is known that they were not bald or balding at that time.

3. If they had no noticeable foreign accents in those years.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 26, 1952

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNSUB wa [REDACTED] b7d

CHARACTER OF CASE: Espionage - R

DEADLINE DATE: 9/29/52

This case will be delinquent because
report is being transcribed.

Report will reach the Bureau by the following
date: 10/10/52

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BY SPECIAL MESSAGE
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Date: October 6, 1952
To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Mr. Frank G. Bieser
Deputy Director, Plans
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.,
ESPIONAGE - R

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An informant of known reliability who
formerly served as a Soviet espionage agent in the
United States has advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was an individual by the
name [REDACTED] was principally interested
in infiltration of the Trotskyite Party in New York
City. b7d

An artistic conception has been prepared
and according to the informant, it closely
approaches the appearance [REDACTED] A copy of the
artistic conception is attached hereto.

According to the informant, the following
are the known facts concerning [REDACTED]

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Physical Description

Nationality

Probably Russian, in the informant's opinion. Also, he thinks it is probable [redacted] had not been in [redacted] [redacted]

[redacted] inasmuch as he spoke with a marked accent and his knowledge of customs and expressions of this country was very limited. b7d

Age

40-45 (in about 1942)

Height

5' 5" - 5' 7"

Weight

Approximately 135 pounds

Hair

Probably brown. According to the informant, a distinctive feature [redacted] appearance was the fact that he was almost completely bald on top of his head, and what hair remained was on the sides of his head.

Eyes

Probably brown, usually smiling. In what the informant has described as a squinting but pleasant smile.

General Characteristics

Quiet spoken, very intelligent and capable appearing, pleasant personality, conservative dresser.

Period of Known Activity

[redacted] was the period during which the subject was [redacted] and does not, of course, give any indication as to how long before and after these dates he was operating. b7d

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Area of Activity

All of the Unsub's contacts [redacted] were in New York City, [redacted] in various bars, restaurants and other places. It is possible, of course, [redacted] was also active in other cities during the same period, [redacted]

Residence

Unknown. However, there appears to be a very good chance that during the time [redacted] was residing in the general vicinity of 72nd Street and Broadway, New York City. [redacted]

It should be noted that although the informant believes that the artist's drawing closely approaches the appearance [redacted] it is very possible that the resemblance [redacted] is great inasmuch as the informant last saw [redacted] For this reason, it is requested that informants who are interviewed be asked to furnish the names of possible suspects who even slightly resemble the drawing, and it is also suggested that variation from the physical description supplied above should not be regarded as eliminating a possible suspect, [redacted]

From the limited amount of information available [redacted] at the present time, it appears that suspects could be eliminated on the following grounds: b7D

1. If it is definitely known that they were not in the Eastern part of the United States during the period 1932 to 1936.

2. If it is known that they were not bald or balding at that time.

3. If they had no noticeable foreign accent in those years.

SAC, New York (65-15699)

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Director, FBI (65-60887)

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You will be advised as soon as the Bureau receives the results of the above requests for investigation.

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UPON VIEWING PHOTO IMMEDIATELY STATED IT
IS IDENTICAL WITH OR SIMILAR TO THAT OF RALPH WILFRED BETTELHEIM

PARENTHESIS BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FIVE TWO NINE ONE FIVE

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THE BETTELHEIMS OTHER THAN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. NYC OBTAIN
PHOTO OF BETTELHEIM AND EXHIBIT TO [REDACTED] EUC.

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Office Memorandum

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GOVERNMENT

TO :

Director, FBI

DATE: 10/13/52

FROM :

SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT :

UNSUB, wa.

ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter 9/17/52

On 10/3/52 the artist's conception [redacted] was displayed to THOMAS L. BLACK and BLACK advised that this conception [redacted] was not familiar to him nor could he recall anyone that he had ever met resembling [redacted]

The artist's conception [redacted] will be shown to HARRY GOLD, in the near future, and the results will be furnished to the Bureau and New York.

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cc: New York (info) [redacted] (REG. MAIL) b7d

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1-15-1952	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/12, 29; 9/4, 5, 12, 15, 19/52	REPORT MADE BY NORMAN E. ELISS
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT was			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] shown additional photographs of Russian nationals and espionage subjects without recognizing any [redacted] at various restaurants. [redacted] unable to recall likely suspects. [redacted] did not recognize drawing as similar to any of his Soviet contacts. b7d

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:
 SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
 DATE: 2-21-78
 BY: [signature]

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sup 2/5/53 mem.*

DETAILS:

[redacted] was reinterviewed concerning details of [redacted] were in [redacted] bars and cafes whose location and names he cannot recall. However, he did recall certain well-known places where [redacted] and these are listed subsequently in this report. b7d

[redacted] was asked if he can recall any incident which occurred at [redacted] which might have served to imprint [redacted] appearance on the memory of any bar or restaurant employee, but he could remember no such incident. b7d

[redacted] was not able to recall anything which might have indicated [redacted] was known to or acquainted with any employees of the places [redacted] Further, it b7d

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[redacted] recollection that [redacted] was usually [redacted] [redacted] was unable to recall any [redacted] which seemed to be a particular favorite [redacted] and he could not remember any indication [redacted] was better acquainted with anyone [redacted] than he was with the others. b7d

At [redacted] New York, New York, FRED OILER and DAVID MENCORDER, Bartenders, who have been employed there for ten years, were unable to think of any past or present customers who resemble the artist's drawing [redacted] and answer his description. b7d

At [redacted] GEORGE KURTZ, Bartender, advised that there have been a number of bartenders since 1945, and he has only been on this job a few months. He knows of no present customer resembling [redacted] b7d

At the [redacted] New York, New York, FRED SLO, Bartender since 1940, could offer no assistance in this matter. b7d

At the [redacted] New York, New York, Bartenders DAN KORTON and LOUIS RAFAJORDO could recall no customers resembling [redacted] Both men have worked there more than ten years. b7d

The [redacted], New York, New York, which [redacted] now recalls as a meeting place, was found to be closed for several months for remodeling. b7d

At the [redacted] New York, New York, Mr. EDWARD FASKIE, Bartender, could not think of any customers resembling [redacted] b7d

At [redacted] New York, New York, Mr. WILLIAM MOSS, Manager, advised that his [redacted] b7d

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[REDACTED] bartenders have not been employed there more than a few months.

[REDACTED] who is a long-time friend of [REDACTED] was shown the artist's drawing [REDACTED] but could think of no espionage contacts of his own who were similar in appearance or description. b7d

[REDACTED] studied photographs of the following persons, which were selected because of their general similarity to "John", but he did not recognize any of them: b7d

ARSENOV, IVAN
ALEXASHKIN, ALEXANDER
ANDREEV, PAVEL
ANISIMOV, NIKOLAY
PABAEV, BORIS
BARANOV, IVAN
BARANOVSKI, ANATOLI
BARINOV, NIKOLAI
BARANOVSKI, ANATOLI
BARSOV, ALEXANDER
LAZAROV, SERGEI
BELODED, VLADIMIR
BELOSLAZOV, DANIIL
ELERNOV, DMITRY
BOCHESHKIN, IVAN
BOGATOV, ANATOLI
BORISSOV, ALEXANDRE
PORODIN, NIKOLAI
BUZHURIN, MIKHAIL
CHAEALI, VASIL
CHERNOMORDICK, GEORGI
COLOSOV, SERATIME
DEGTAREV, ALEXEI
DEVIATYAROV, MIKHAIL
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FOMIN, MIKHAIL
GLINKOV, EUGENI
GONCHAROV, MIKHAIL

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GORASKI, VALERI
GORBASSEV, NIKOLAI
GUSEV, SERGEI
GUSKOV, VASIL
DASHKIN, MIKHAIL
IGNATYEV, LEONID
IGUINOV, BERGUEI
IVANOV, NIKOLAI
KADHARDUZOV, GEORGI
KAMEDATOV, JURI
KLEKOVKIN, MIKHAIL
KOMAROV, NIKOLAI
KOSARENKOV, ALEXANDRE
KUTLYARSKY, ABRAM
KUDRIAVTSEV, VLADIMIR

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continue to show photographs of Soviet nationals to [REDACTED] for a possible identification of "John" b7D

Will report comments of all New York espionage informants after they have seen the drawing [REDACTED] b7D

Will attempt to locate any employer of the bars or cafes near 72nd Street and Broadway who might recognize the drawing [REDACTED] b7D

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT was [REDACTED] b7D			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] shown additional photographs of Russian nationals and espionage subjects without recognizing any. Employees at various restaurants [REDACTED] unable to recall likely suspects. [REDACTED] did not recognize drawing [REDACTED] as similar to any of his Soviet contacts. **b7D**

DETAILS:

[REDACTED] was reinterviewed concerning details of [REDACTED] were in Little Bore and cafes whose location and names he cannot recall. However, he did recall certain well-known places where [REDACTED] and these are listed subsequently in this report. **b7D**

[REDACTED] was asked if he can recall any incident which occurred at [REDACTED] which might have served to imprint [REDACTED] appearance on the memory of any bar or restaurant employee; but he could remember no such incident. **b7D**

[REDACTED] was not able to recall anything which might have indicated [REDACTED] was known to or acquainted with any employees of the places [REDACTED] Further, it **b7D**

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED] b7D

DATE: Oct. 27, 1952

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE [REDACTED] b7D

SUBJECT:

UNSUB, wa: [REDACTED] b7D

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Re New York letter dated 9/17/52 requesting Baltimore to interview JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, self-confessed former Communist and Soviet espionage agent, for the purpose of ascertaining as to whether or not he can effect the identity of unsub.

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, during interview on 10/17/52, advised SA's FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and PATRICK D. PUTNAM, after viewing a sketch of subject and after having been furnished available background data re subject, that he is unable to effect the identity of subject.

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cc: 1- New York [REDACTED] b7D (RM)

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
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American Embassy
2 Avenue Gabriel
Paris 8, France

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Date: October 27, 1952
To: Director, FBI
From: Legal Attache, Paris
Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Ga.
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FROM :
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Director, FBI ([REDACTED])

SAC, Minneapolis ([REDACTED])

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [REDACTED]

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DATE: 11/12/52

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9/17/52.

Re New York letter to Bureau, with cc to Minneapolis,

A photograph of the above named subject was shown to [REDACTED] on 11/10/52, and [REDACTED] advised that he did not recognize this photograph as anyone whom he knew nor did he remember anyone going by the name [REDACTED] who was active in the Soviet espionage ring. RUC.

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cc: 2 - New York ([REDACTED])

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 11/14/52

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: UNSUB, [REDACTED]

ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter 9/17/52 and Philadelphia letter to Bureau 10/13/52:

On 10/6/52 and 10/27/52, respectively, the artist's conception was shown to HARRY GOLD and DAVID GREENGLASS at the United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., and descriptive data discussed with them. Neither could furnish any information concerning any individual possibly identical with the unknown subject. RUC.

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cc: 1 - New York [REDACTED] REGISTERED MAIL

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Liaison Office, Ottawa, Canada
November 29, 1952.

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REGISTERED AIRMAIL

Director, FBI

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was. "John"
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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: December 1, 1952

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

~~SECURITY INFORMATION~~SUBJECT: UNSUB wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
Origin: NEW YORK

Re New York letter to Bureau dated 9/19/52.

On November 26, 1952, the artist's conception of [redacted] was shown to [redacted] California, and information [redacted] was discussed with [redacted] was unable to suggest any suspects [redacted] and was unable to furnish any information regarding the identity [redacted]. b7d

It is noted that the artist's conception [redacted] bears some resemblance to a photograph of JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN appearing on a passport application made by him on September 21, 1934, under the name of CHARLES FRANCIS CHASE.

It is further noted that the artist's conception [redacted] in some respects resembles photographs of JACK and ROBERT SOBLE (MOCASE).

It is believed the New York Office is in possession of photographs of JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN and JACK and ROBERT SOBLE and the New York Office may desire to show these photographs to the informant.

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cc: New York [redacted]

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December 2, 1952

Director, FBI

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(Chicago file [redacted])

UNKNOWN SUBJECT

(aka John)

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(Bufile [redacted])

Reference Chicago air-let to the Bureau dated November 24, 1952, in the [redacted] case which reflected that [redacted] was interviewed by agents of the Chicago Division and [redacted] was at least partially cooperative. Reference [redacted] reflected that [redacted] admitted that

[redacted] contact with [redacted] further [redacted] was in touch with an unknown individual in the name [redacted] and [redacted] was associated with the LNU in some capacity. b7d

It should be noted that [redacted]

[redacted] has admitted

[redacted] was operated by an unknown Soviet espionage superior by the name of "John" from about [redacted] "John's" interest in [redacted] b7d

An artist's conception has been prepared of [redacted] Two copies of this artist's conception are forwarded herewith to the Chicago Division as well as one copy of New York report of SA Richard E. Brennan, dated 6-18-52, which sets out the background of [redacted] b7d

In the next interview with [redacted] Chicago is instructed to obtain all descriptive data of [redacted] and exhibit the artist's conception of [redacted]

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[redacted] to determine
if the two could possibly be identical. New York
office of origin in the Unknown Subject, [redacted]
Espionage - [redacted] case. b7d

Chicago is cautioned not to mention the name
of [redacted] b7d

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SAC, Chicago [redacted] b7d

Director, FBI [redacted]

[redacted] wa. b7d
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Reference Chicago airtel 12-9-51 which set forth a description of [redacted] b7d

A comparison of [redacted] with that of Thomas L. Black's unknown Soviet espionage superior "John," shows an interesting similarity. b7d

There is enclosed herewith for the Chicago Division New York report of SA Robert W. Conolan, dated 11-30-50, in the case entitled "Unknown Subject, w/o, John, Thomas L. Black - Informant; Espionage - R."

In determining the identity of [redacted] Chicago should consider the possibility that he may be identical with Black's unknown Soviet superior, "John." b7d

Enclosure

cc - New York [redacted] b7d

cc - 65-59452 (Unsub John)

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SAC, New York

April 6, 1953

Director, FBI (65-288)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa. John

ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to the reports of Special Agent Harry A. Walker, Chicago, dated January 13 and February 25, 1953, in the case entitled [REDACTED] was, Espionage - R. Particular reference is made to the portions of those reports containing information furnished by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in New York City from approximately [REDACTED]

In view of the unsuccessful efforts to date to identify this individual in connection with the [REDACTED] investigation, a separate case is being opened, under the caption of this communication. New York is being designated office of origin. The New York Office is instructed to promptly prepare an investigative report which will set forth in detail all of the descriptive data and other information concerning John, together with a summary of investigation conducted to date to identify this individual.

The Chicago Office should immediately make certain that New York is in possession of all information furnished by [REDACTED] together with the results of investigation conducted to date to identify this individual.

The Chicago Office, in the next interview with [REDACTED] should exhaustively go over [REDACTED] endeavoring to obtain [REDACTED] every possible detail [REDACTED] concerning [REDACTED]

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physical description, background, habits and mannerisms, activities and associations. In exhibiting photographs of suspects to [redacted], note should be made of those photographs which resemble the subject, or photographs of individuals having certain features similar to the features of John, in order that consideration may be given to having an artist's conception drawn of this subject. b7d

It is noted [redacted] had attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and that his photograph was in an MIT yearbook. [redacted] reviewed copies of MIT yearbooks from 1910 to 1940, without locating a photograph of the subject. Since [redacted] it is possible his picture may have appeared in a later issue of this publication. Accordingly, the Boston Office should endeavor to obtain copies of the MIT yearbook from [redacted] and forward these books to Chicago for appropriate review by [redacted] b7d

All offices receiving copies of this letter should carefully review the descriptive data and other information concerning John, and promptly advise the Chicago and New York Offices of possible suspects whose photographs may be exhibited [redacted] b7d

This case must be given preferred investigative attention in order that the identification of this subject may be effected without unnecessary delay.

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US GOVERNMENT

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4-13-53

FROM SAC, BOSTON

SUBJECT: INSUB, wa, John;

ESPIONAGE - R
(Origin - New York)

Rebulet dated 4-2-53 entitled as above, which requested Boston to forward to Chicago the Massachusetts Institute of Technology yearbooks for the years [redacted] for review [redacted]. These books have been obtained from the MIT library and are being forwarded to Chicago, Railway Express - Insured.

When these books have served their purpose, Chicago should return them to Boston as expeditiously as possible, as they are the only copies in the central library at MIT.

For the information of Chicago, the eleven yearbooks returned by Chicago to Boston by letter dated 3-11-53, entitled [redacted] was.; ESPIONAGE - R; (Origin - Chicago)", for the years [redacted] inclusive have been returned to the MIT library. b7d

Reference is made to Chicago airtel to Boston dated 3-10-53 in the [redacted] case (Encls.); Chicago file [redacted] requesting Boston to locate [redacted] on the basis of information furnished by [redacted]. The information provided by informant is too indefinite to resolve the question of identity at this time, according to Professor PAUL CHALMERS, Advisor to Foreign Students at MIT.

It is suggested that [redacted] be questioned concerning the field of study which [redacted] pursued or was familiar with, such as electronics, physics, chemistry, etc. If this information is ascertained, the likelihood of obtaining the desired information would be considerably increased. b7d

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cc - New York

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cc - Chicago (Encls.)

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It is also requested that Chicago and New York make available as complete information as possible to Boston for its assistance in covering the above lead. It is noted such information should be reported under the caption set forth in instant letter, in accordance with Bureau instructions.

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FBI, CHICAGO

APRIL 22, 1953

DIRECTOR, FBI (██████████) (REGISTERED) b7d

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FBI, CHICAGO

APRIL 22, 1953

UNSUB. C. JOHN

DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED] (REGISTERED)

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ORDER TO MORE PROTECT HIS IDENTITY. [REDACTED] STATED THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE BUT IMPROBABLE, IN [REDACTED] COULD NOT REMEMBER ONE INSTANCE WHEN HE SPOKE WITHOUT USING THE ACCENT. [REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT IT IS OPINION THAT WHEN A PERSON TRIED TO "PUT ON" AN ACCENT, THE PERSON WOULD USUALLY AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER FORGET ABOUT USING IT. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] COULD NOT RELATE WHAT FIELD OF ENGINEERING [REDACTED] SPECIALIZED IN. [REDACTED] HE COULD

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A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM [REDACTED] WILL BE GIVEN CONTINUOUS ATTENTION BY THE CHICAGO OFFICE IN COMING INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED]

THERE IS NOTHING IN THE FILES OF THE CO OFFICE CONCERNING PROFESSOR EDWIN R. GILLILAND. PHOTOS OF PROFESSOR GILLILAND THAT WILL EITHER ELIMINATE OR DEFINITELY ESTABLISH GILLILAND AS A SUSPECT FOR [REDACTED]

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WITH [REDACTED] TWO ADDITIONAL CARBON COPIES OF INSTANT AIRTEL HAVE BEEN FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU, ONE OF WHICH HAS BEEN DESIGNATED FOR BUREAU FILE [REDACTED] THE OTHER COPY OF THE AIRTEL IS DESIGNATED FOR THE CASE ENTITLED, "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. 'JOHN, [REDACTED] ESPIONAGE - R." THE CO OFFICE [REDACTED] IS PRESENTLY NOT IN RECEIPT OF THE BUREAU FILE NUMBER CONCERNING THIS CASE. NO OTHER PHOTO IN THE YEARBOOKS RESEMBLED [REDACTED]

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May 13 1953

SAC, Chicago

Director, FBI

ESPIONAGE - R

Reurairtel April 22, 1953, reflecting [redacted] had stated that a photograph of Professor Edwin R. Gilliland, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, bore a close resemblance to [redacted]

A check of Bureau files reflects that all pertinent information concerning Professor Edwin R. Gilliland is also contained in the files of the Boston Office. The Boston Office, in reporting the lead set out in referenced airtel to determine whether Gilliland might possibly be identical with [redacted] should set forth a brief summary concerning Gilliland. In this connection the attention of the Boston Office is directed in particular to the report of SA William D. Cronin, Boston, dated September 26, 1947, in the case entitled "Edwin Richard Gilliland - A, Atomic Energy Act Employee," Boston file 116-2666.

cc - Boston

cc - New York

DER: [redacted]

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES

GOVERNMENT

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 20, 1953

SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa. John

ESPIONAGE - R
Office of Origin: New York

Reference is made to the reports of SA HARRY WALKER, Chicago, dated January 13, February 26 and April 23, 1953, entitled [REDACTED] Was., ESPIONAGE - R"; and Bulet to New York dated April 2, 1953 in instant case. b7d

Referenced reports set out information furnished by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in New York City from approximately [REDACTED] b7d

Referenced letter advised that, in view of the unsuccessful efforts to date to identify this individual in connection with the [REDACTED] investigation, a separate case is being opened under captioned title with New York as Office of Origin. The New York Office was instructed to prepare an investigative report setting forth all the information to date concerning "JOHN." Chicago was instructed to make certain that New York is in possession of all information concerning JOHN. b7d

A review of the [REDACTED] file in the Chicago Office revealed that the New York Office is in possession of all information furnished by [REDACTED] together with the results of the investigation conducted to date to identify this individual. b7d

[REDACTED] will be continuously questioned [REDACTED] in future interviews and the New York Office will be immediately notified of the results of these interviews. b7d

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cc: New York

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SAC, New York [redacted] b7d

May 20, 1953

Director, FBI [redacted] b7d

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted] b7d

ESPIONAGE - R

Unknown Subject, aka [redacted]
ReNYOlet 4-30-53, and report of SA Richard F. Brennan, dated 4-30-53, attached thereto. Refrep reflects that instant case is being placed in a closed status. (u)

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[redacted] should be reinterviewed about George, for it is probable [redacted] more often than [redacted] admitted. (u)

[redacted] comments should be obtained regarding the artist's conception of "Rebigo," which has previously been prepared in instant case. (u) b7d

[redacted] should be contacted and the question of [redacted] Soviet espionage activities should be discussed [redacted] to determine if [redacted] to cast any light on the extent of [redacted] involvement in [redacted] activities. (u) b7d

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- Harbo
- Rosen
- Tracy
- Laughlin
- Winterrowd
- Tele. Rm.
- Holloman
- Gandy

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The Bureau deems it important to identify "George," who was probably an important spy agent in the U. S. in the middle 1940's. It is not desired that this case be placed in a closed status until every effort is made to identify "George." (u)

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DATE: 5/25/5

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John
THOMAS J. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

Re Bureau letter to New York, 4/23/52

The Bureau is advised that inasmuch as the Russian Red Cross case has been more fully developed as have other Unsub cases relating to informants THOMAS L. BLACK, HARRY GOLD, that the status of instant case is being changed from Pending Inactive to Pending and that a report may be expected in the near future.

Louisville and Chicago will make reference to Louisville letter to Chicago dated 5/15/53 in case entitled [REDACTED] - Espionage - R" in which a copy was designated for [REDACTED] file

Louisville and Chicago are requested hereafter not to designate correspondence in the [redacted] case to NY file 65-19411 unless same directly furnished information concerning [redacted] which might then be of some worth in instances depending on the possibility of whether those two [redacted] might be identical.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 29, 1953

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES ([REDACTED]) b7d

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa, [REDACTED] b7d

ESPIONAGE - R

ReBulet April 2, 1953:

The descriptive data and other information concerning subject has been considered by this office. However, no logical suspects, whose photograph has not already been exhibited [REDACTED] have been determined to date. b7d

This case is being considered RUC at Los Angeles and will be reopened upon receipt of a report from NYC setting forth all descriptive details concerning subject and the investigation conducted to date. G.I.R.-5

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2 - Washington Field

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York [redacted] b7d
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. [redacted] b7d
ESPIONAGE - R
(Origin - New York)

DATE: 6/5/53

This is to advise that a report concerning captioned case has been dictated and will be submitted to the Bureau as soon as it has been transcribed.

G.I.R.-5

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